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Carolina Water Services, Inc.
Summary of Cost of Capital and Fair Rate of Return
Based upon the Consolidated Capital Structure of Utilities, Inc.
at December 31, 2012

<u>Type of Capital</u>	<u>Ratios (1)</u>	<u>Cost Rate</u>	<u>Weighted Cost Rate</u>
Long-Term Debt	52.44%	6.60% (1)	3.46%
Common Equity	<u>47.56%</u>	10.15% - 11.15% (2)	<u>4.83%</u> - <u>5.30%</u>
Total	<u>100.00%</u>		<u>8.29%</u> - <u>8.76%</u>

Notes:

- (1) Company-provided.
- (2) From page 2 of this Schedule.

Carolina Water Services, Inc.
Brief Summary of Common Equity Cost Rate

No.	Principal Methods	Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies
1.	Discounted Cash Flow Model (DCF) (1)	8.62%
2.	Risk Premium Model (RPM) (2)	11.54%
3.	Capital Asset Pricing Model (CAPM) (3)	9.89%
4.	Market Models Applied to Comparable Risk, Non-Price Regulated Companies (4)	<u>10.46%</u>
5.	Indicated Common Equity Cost Rate before Adjustment for Business Risks	10.15%
6.	Size Adjustment (5)	<u>0.50%</u>
7	Indicated Common Equity Cost Rate	<u><u>10.65%</u></u>
8.	Recommended Range of Common Equity Cost Rates	<u><u>10.15%-11.15%</u></u>

Notes: (1) From Schedule 3.
(2) From page 1 of Schedule 5.
(3) From page 1 of Schedule 6.
(4) From page 1 of Schedule 8.
(5) Business risk adjustment to reflect Carolina Water Services, Inc.'s greater business risk due to its small size relative to the proxy group as detailed in Mr. D'Ascendis's accompanying direct testimony.

Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies
CAPITALIZATION AND FINANCIAL STATISTICS (1)
2008 - 2012, Inclusive

	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	
	(MILLIONS OF DOLLARS)					
<u>CAPITALIZATION STATISTICS</u>						
<u>AMOUNT OF CAPITAL EMPLOYED</u>						
TOTAL PERMANENT CAPITAL	\$1,801.379	\$1,736.912	\$1,712.951	\$1,641.561	\$1,537.371	
SHORT-TERM DEBT	<u>\$55.136</u>	<u>\$81.076</u>	<u>\$53.463</u>	<u>\$31.243</u>	<u>\$84.104</u>	
TOTAL CAPITAL EMPLOYED	<u>\$1,856.515</u>	<u>\$1,817.988</u>	<u>\$1,766.414</u>	<u>\$1,672.804</u>	<u>\$1,621.475</u>	
<u>INDICATED AVERAGE CAPITAL COST RATES (2)</u>						
TOTAL DEBT	5.41 %	5.36 %	5.37 %	5.31 %	5.58 %	
PREFERRED STOCK	5.53	5.53	5.54	5.54	4.32	
						<u>5 YEAR</u>
						<u>AVERAGE</u>
<u>CAPITAL STRUCTURE RATIOS</u>						
BASED ON TOTAL PERMANENT CAPITAL:						
LONG-TERM DEBT	49.12 %	50.69 %	50.97 %	50.80 %	50.35 %	50.39 %
PREFERRED STOCK	0.16	0.18	0.19	0.21	0.22	0.19
COMMON EQUITY	<u>50.72</u>	<u>49.13</u>	<u>48.84</u>	<u>48.99</u>	<u>49.43</u>	<u>49.42</u>
TOTAL	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>
BASED ON TOTAL CAPITAL:						
TOTAL DEBT, INCLUDING SHORT-TERM	50.79 %	52.55 %	53.49 %	53.33 %	53.43 %	52.72 %
PREFERRED STOCK	0.15	0.17	0.18	0.19	0.21	0.18
COMMON EQUITY	<u>49.06</u>	<u>47.28</u>	<u>46.33</u>	<u>46.48</u>	<u>46.36</u>	<u>47.10</u>
TOTAL	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>
<u>FINANCIAL STATISTICS</u>						
<u>FINANCIAL RATIOS - MARKET BASED</u>						
EARNINGS / PRICE RATIO	6.45 %	6.33 %	6.38 %	4.64 %	5.91 %	5.94 %
MARKET / AVERAGE BOOK RATIO	166.26	156.32	150.17	138.52	155.49	153.35
DIVIDEND YIELD	3.84	4.09	4.26	4.72	4.49	4.28
DIVIDEND PAYOUT RATIO	61.46	67.87	66.67	60.06	73.68	65.95
<u>RATE OF RETURN ON AVERAGE BOOK COMMON EQUITY</u>	9.94 %	8.99 %	8.98 %	6.99 %	6.39 %	8.26 %
<u>TOTAL DEBT / EBITDA (3)</u>	3.84 X	4.34 X	4.75 X	5.53 X	9.07 X	5.51 X
<u>FUNDS FROM OPERATIONS / TOTAL DEBT (4)</u>	20.65 %	18.82 %	17.10 %	16.41 %	16.14 %	17.82 %
TOTAL DEBT / TOTAL CAPITAL	50.79 %	52.55 %	53.49 %	53.33 %	53.43 %	52.72 %

Notes:

- (1) All capitalization and financial statistics for the group are the arithmetic average of the achieved results for each individual company in the group, and are based upon financial statements as originally reported in each year.
- (2) Computed by relating actual total debt interest or preferred stock dividends booked to average of beginning and ending total debt or preferred stock reported to be outstanding.
- (3) Total debt relative to EBITDA (Earnings before Interest, Income Taxes, Depreciation and Amortization).
- (4) Funds from operations (sum of net income, depreciation, amortization, net deferred income tax and investment tax credits, less total AFUDC) plus interest charges as a percentage of total debt.

Source of Information: I-Metrix Database
Company SEC Form 10-K

Capital Structure Based upon Total Permanent Capital for the
Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies
2008 - 2012, Inclusive

	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	5 YEAR AVERAGE
<u>American States Water Co.</u>						
Long-Term Debt	42.49 %	45.46 %	44.30 %	46.95 %	46.25 %	45.09 %
Preferred Stock	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Common Equity	57.51	54.54	55.70	53.05	53.75	54.91
Total Capital	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>
<u>American Water Works Co., Inc.</u>						
Long-Term Debt	54.30 %	55.72 %	56.73 %	56.98 %	53.75 %	55.49 %
Preferred Stock	0.21	0.27	0.29	0.30	0.32	0.28
Common Equity	45.49	44.01	42.98	42.72	45.93	44.23
Total Capital	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>
<u>Aqua America, Inc.</u>						
Long-Term Debt	53.41 %	54.11 %	57.05 %	56.59 %	54.21 %	55.08 %
Preferred Stock	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.09	0.03
Common Equity	46.58	45.87	42.93	43.39	45.70	44.89
Total Capital	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>
<u>Artesian Resources Corp.</u>						
Long-Term Debt	47.60 %	48.93 %	52.84 %	54.12 %	59.57 %	52.61 %
Preferred Stock	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Common Equity	52.40	51.07	47.16	45.88	40.43	47.39
Total Capital	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>
<u>California Water Service Group</u>						
Long-Term Debt	50.39 %	52.04 %	52.51 %	47.93 %	41.88 %	48.95 %
Preferred Stock	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Common Equity	49.61	47.96	47.49	52.07	58.12	51.05
Total Capital	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>
<u>Connecticut Water Service, Inc.</u>						
Long-Term Debt	49.03 %	53.05 %	49.32 %	50.59 %	46.94 %	49.79 %
Preferred Stock	0.21	0.30	0.34	0.35	0.39	0.32
Common Equity	50.76	46.65	50.34	49.06	52.67	49.89
Total Capital	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>
<u>Middlesex Water Company</u>						
Long-Term Debt	43.53 %	43.12 %	43.91 %	47.35 %	49.10 %	45.40 %
Preferred Stock	1.02	1.06	1.07	1.24	1.22	1.12
Common Equity	55.45	55.82	55.02	51.41	49.68	53.48
Total Capital	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>
<u>SJW Corporation</u>						
Long-Term Debt	55.39 %	56.63 %	53.79 %	49.52 %	46.08 %	52.28 %
Preferred Stock	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Common Equity	44.61	43.37	46.21	50.48	53.92	47.72
Total Capital	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>
<u>York Water Company</u>						
Long-Term Debt	45.98 %	47.16 %	48.28 %	47.16 %	55.31 %	48.78 %
Preferred Stock	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Common Equity	54.02	52.84	51.72	52.84	44.69	51.22
Total Capital	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>
<u>Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies</u>						
Long-Term Debt	49.12 %	50.69 %	50.97 %	50.80 %	50.35 %	50.39 %
Preferred Stock	0.16	0.18	0.19	0.21	0.22	0.19
Common Equity	50.72	49.13	48.84	48.99	49.43	49.42
Total Capital	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>	<u>100.00 %</u>

Source of Information
EDGAR Online's I-Metrix Database
Annual Forms 10-K

Carolina Water Services, Inc.
Indicated Common Equity Cost Rate Using the Discounted Cash Flow Model for
the Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	Average Dividend Yield (1)	Value Line Projected Five Year Growth in EPS (2)	Reuters Mean Consensus Projected Five Year Growth Rate in EPS	Zack's Five Year Projected Growth Rate in EPS	Yahoo! Finance Projected Five Year Growth in EPS	Average Projected Five Year Growth in EPS (3)	Adjusted Dividend Yield (4)	Indicated Common Equity Cost Rate (5)
<u>Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies</u>								
American States Water Co.	2.94 %	6.00 %	2.00 %	2.00 %	2.00 %	3.00 %	2.98 %	5.98 %
American Water Works Co., Inc.	2.73	10.00	8.50	7.20	7.45	8.29	2.84	11.13
Aqua America, Inc.	2.46	8.00	7.40	5.30	5.80	6.63	2.54	9.17
Artesian Resources Corp.	3.76	NA	NA	NA	4.00	4.00	3.84	7.84
California Water Service Group	3.14	6.50	NA	6.00	6.00	6.17	3.24	9.41
Connecticut Water Service, Inc.	3.16	5.50	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.13	3.24	8.37
Middlesex Water Company	3.65	4.00	NA	NA	2.70	3.35	3.71	7.06
SJW Corporation	2.64	7.50	NA	NA	14.00	10.75	2.78	13.53
York Water Company	2.70	4.00	NA	NA	4.90	4.45	2.76	7.21
							Average	<u>8.86 %</u>
							Median	<u>8.37 %</u>
							Average of Average and Median Results:	<u>8.62 %</u>

NA= Not Available
NMF = Not Meaningful Figure

Notes:

- (1) Indicated dividend at 10/31/2013 divided by the average closing price of the last 60 trading days ending 10/31/2013 for each company.
- (2) From pages 2 through 10 of this Schedule.
- (3) Average of columns 2 through 5 excluding negative growth rates.
- (4) This reflects a growth rate component equal to one-half the conclusion of growth rate (from column 6) x column 1 to reflect the periodic payment of dividends (Gordon Model) as opposed to the continuous payment. Thus, for American States Water Co. , $2.94\% \times (1 + (1/2 \times 3.00\%)) = 2.98\%$.
- (5) Column 6 + column 7.

Source of Information:

Value Line Investment Survey
www.reuters.com Downloaded on 11/01/2013
www.zacks.com Downloaded on 11/01/2013
www.yahoo.com Downloaded on 11/01/2013

AMER. STATES WATER NYSE-AWR				RECENT PRICE	26.48	P/E RATIO	17.9 (Trailing: 17.4 Median: 22.0)	RELATIVE P/E RATIO	1.02	DIV'D YLD	3.1%	VALUE LINE							
TIMELINESS	3	Lowered 8/16/13	High: 14.5	14.5	13.4	17.3	21.9	23.1	21.0	19.4	19.8	18.2	24.1	33.1	24.0	Target Price Range	2016	2017	2018
SAFETY	2	Raised 7/20/12	Low: 10.1	10.8	10.4	12.2	15.1	16.8	13.5	14.9	15.6	15.3	17.0						
TECHNICAL	3	Raised 8/23/13	LEGENDS 1.25 x Dividends p sh divided by Interest Rate Relative Price Strength 3-for-2 split 6/02 2-for-1 split 9/13 Options: Yes Shaded areas indicate recessions																
BETA	.70	(1.00 = Market)																	
2016-18 PROJECTIONS																			
Price	40	Gain (+50%)	Ann'l Total Return																
High	40	30	14%																
Low	30	15%	7%																
Insider Decisions																			
N D J F M A M J J	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	1	0										
to Buy	1	1	1	0	0	1	4	4	0										
Options	1	1	1	0	0	1	4	4	0										
to Sell	2	3	1	0	0	0	5	5	0										
Institutional Decisions																			
4Q2012	1Q2013	2Q2013	Percent shares traded																
to Buy	77	93	98																
to Sell	64	59	70																
Hld's(000)	24066	24964	24268																
1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	© VALUE LINE PUB. LLC	16-18
5.72	5.51	6.45	6.08	6.53	6.89	6.99	6.81	7.03	7.88	8.75	9.21	9.74	10.71	11.12	12.12	12.30	12.50	Revenues per sh	12.75
.92	1.02	1.13	1.10	1.26	1.27	1.04	1.11	1.32	1.45	1.65	1.69	1.70	2.11	2.13	2.48	2.60	2.65	"Cash Flow" per sh	3.20
.52	.54	.60	.64	.67	.67	.39	.53	.66	.67	.81	.78	.81	1.11	1.12	1.41	1.50	1.55	Earnings per sh ^A	1.70
.42	.42	.43	.43	.43	.44	.44	.44	.45	.46	.48	.50	.51	.52	.55	.64	.76	.83	Div'd Decl'd per sh ^B	.95
1.29	1.56	2.15	1.51	1.59	1.34	1.88	2.51	2.12	1.95	1.45	2.23	2.09	2.12	2.13	1.77	2.15	2.20	Cap'l Spending per sh	2.10
5.62	5.74	5.91	6.37	6.61	7.02	6.98	7.51	7.86	8.32	8.77	8.97	9.70	10.13	10.84	11.80	11.85	12.50	Book Value per sh	14.25
26.87	26.87	26.87	30.24	30.24	30.36	30.42	33.50	33.60	34.10	34.46	34.60	37.06	37.26	37.70	38.53	39.00	40.00	Common Shs Outst'g ^C	44.00
14.5	15.5	17.1	15.9	16.7	18.3	31.9	23.2	21.9	27.7	24.0	22.6	21.2	15.7	15.4	14.3	Bold figures are Value Line estimates		Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio	19.5
.84	.81	.97	1.03	.86	1.00	1.82	1.23	1.17	1.50	1.27	1.36	1.41	1.00	.97	.91			Relative P/E Ratio	1.30
5.5%	5.0%	4.2%	4.2%	3.9%	3.6%	3.5%	3.6%	3.1%	2.5%	2.5%	2.9%	2.9%	3.0%	3.2%	3.1%			Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield	3.1%
CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 6/30/13				212.7	228.0	236.2	268.6	301.4	318.7	361.0	398.9	419.3	466.9	480	500	Revenues (\$mill)	560		
Total Debt \$335.8 mill. Due in 5 Yrs \$10.6 mill.				11.9	16.5	22.5	23.1	28.0	26.8	29.5	41.4	42.0	54.1	58.0	60.0	Net Profit (\$mill)	73.0		
LT Debt \$332.4 mill. LT Interest \$8.0 mill.				43.5%	37.4%	47.0%	40.5%	42.6%	37.8%	38.9%	43.2%	41.7%	39.9%	40.0%	40.0%	Income Tax Rate	40.0%		
(LT interest earned: 5.2x: total interest coverage: 4.9x) (42% of Cap'l)				--	--	--	12.2%	8.5%	6.9%	3.2%	5.8%	2.0%	2.5%	2.5%	2.5%	AFUDC % to Net Profit	2.5%		
Leases, Uncapitalized: Annual rentals \$3.0 mill.				52.0%	47.7%	50.4%	48.6%	46.9%	46.2%	45.9%	44.3%	45.4%	42.2%	43.0%	43.0%	Long-Term Debt Ratio	43.0%		
Pension Assets-12/12 \$107.6 mill.				48.0%	52.3%	49.6%	51.4%	53.1%	53.8%	54.1%	55.7%	54.6%	57.8%	57.0%	57.0%	Common Equity Ratio	57.0%		
Oblig. \$163.2 mill.				442.3	480.4	532.5	551.6	569.4	577.0	665.0	677.4	749.1	787.0	805	875	Total Capital (\$mill)	1025		
Pfd Stock None.				602.3	664.2	713.2	750.6	776.4	825.3	866.4	855.0	896.5	917.8	940	985	Net Plant (\$mill)	1100		
Common Stock 38,688,804 shs.				4.6%	5.2%	5.4%	6.0%	6.7%	6.4%	5.9%	7.6%	7.1%	8.3%	7.0%	7.0%	Return on Total Cap'l	6.5%		
as of 8/6/13 (Reflects 2-for-1 stock split paid 9/3/13.)				5.6%	6.6%	8.5%	8.1%	9.3%	8.6%	8.2%	11.0%	10.3%	11.9%	12.5%	12.0%	Return on Shr. Equity	11.5%		
MARKET CAP: \$1.0 billion (Mid Cap)				5.6%	6.6%	8.5%	8.1%	9.3%	8.6%	8.2%	11.0%	10.3%	11.9%	12.5%	12.0%	Return on Com Equity	11.5%		
CURRENT POSITION				113%	84%	67%	67%	58%	64%	61%	47%	49%	45%	51%	54%	All Div'ds to Net Prof	56%		
(SMILL)																			
Cash Assets				1.3	23.5	8.5													
Other				164.3	160.5	172.6													
Current Assets				165.6	184.0	181.1													
Accts Payable				37.9	40.6	55.2													
Debt Due				3	3.3	3.4													
Other				66.2	49.8	43.8													
Current Liab.				104.4	93.7	102.4													
Fix. Chg. Cov.				401%	442%	450%													
ANNUAL RATES				Past 10 Yrs.	Past 5 Yrs.	Est'd '10-'12 of change (per sh)													
Revenues				5.5%	7.5%	2.0%													
"Cash Flow"				6.5%	9.0%	6.0%													
Earnings				6.5%	11.5%	6.0%													
Dividends				3.0%	4.5%	9.0%													
Book Value				5.0%	5.5%	2.0%													
QUARTERLY REVENUES (\$ mill.)				Full Year															
Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31															
2010	88.4	95.5	111.3	103.7	398.9														
2011	94.3	109.8	119.9	95.3	419.3														
2012	107.6	114.3	133.5	111.5	466.9														
2013	110.5	120.7	135	113.8	480														
2014	115	125	140	120	500														
EARNINGS PER SHARE ^A				Full Year															
Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31															
2010	.23	.24	.31	.33	1.11														
2011	.19	.34	.42	.17	1.12														
2012	.27	.40	.49	.26	1.41														
2013	.35	.43	.48	.24	1.50														
2014	.33	.42	.55	.30	1.60														
QUARTERLY DIVIDENDS PAID ^B				Full Year															
Cal-endar	Mar.31	Jun.30	Sep.30	Dec.31															
2009	.125	.125	.125	.13	.51														
2010	.13	.13	.13	.13	.52														
2011	.13	.14	.14	.14	.55														
2012	.14	.14	.178	.178	.64														
2013	.178	.178	.203																

Business: American States Water Co. operates as a holding company. Through its principal subsidiary, Golden State Water Company, it supplies water to more than 250,000 customers in 75 communities in 10 counties. Service areas include the greater metropolitan areas of Los Angeles and Orange Counties. The company also provides electric utility services to nearly 23,250 customers in the city of Big Bear Lake and in areas of San Bernardino County. Sold Chaparral City Water of Arizona (6/11). Has 728 employees. Officers & directors own 2.9% of common stock (4/12 Proxy). Chairman: Lloyd Ross. President & CEO: Robert J. Sprowls, Inc. CA. Addr: 630 East Foothill Boulevard, San Dimas, CA 91773. Tel: 909-394-3600. Internet: www.aswater.com.

Nonutility operations are a key component of American States Water. Last year, its nonregulated subsidiary, American States Utilities Services (ASUS), accounted for \$0.39 a share, or 28% of the company's share net. This percentage was easily the highest among the eight water utilities that *Value Line* follows.

Estimating future profits from these businesses will be more difficult in the years ahead. The core of the ASUS profits has come from operating and maintaining water services at eight U.S. military bases. Some analysts on Wall Street believe that 2012 was perhaps the peak earnings year for ASUS, but we think that these projections are conservative. True, the company's backlog of new projects isn't large. However, with a substantial number of military facilities yet to be privatized, we believe that ASUS' good reputation with the Department of Defense will greatly help it win a fair share of future contracts. Thus, we think earnings of between \$0.40 a share and \$0.50 a share from this segment are attainable to the 2016-2018 pull. Since winning contracts is less predictable than its core business, American States earnings might experience greater swings than in the past.

Meanwhile, core regulated operations are doing fine. Due mostly to a recent rate increase granted to Golden State Water (the main water utility), earnings growth should be somewhere in the 5%-7% range. Indeed,

We're raising our earnings projections again. For the second straight quarter, American States share net exceeded expectations in the June period. As a result, we are nudging the company's earnings-per-share estimates higher by \$0.05 in 2013, and \$0.10 in 2014, respectively. (Please note that all figures on the page have been changed to reflect the two-for-one stock split paid on September 3rd.)

American States' shares offer slightly better-than-average potential long-term returns for a water utility. The current yield is typical for the industry, but dividend growth prospects are higher than the group norm. Moreover, the company is the third-largest water utility we follow, and is the only one that rates an A Financial Strength Rating.

James A. Flood
October 18, 2013

AMERICAN WATER

NYSE-AWK

RECENT PRICE

40.09

P/E RATIO

18.0

(Trailing: 19.5)

(Median: NMF)

RELATIVE P/E RATIO

1.02

DIV'D YLD

2.9%

VALUE LINE

TIMELINESS

3

Raised 10/4/13

SAFETY

3

New 7/25/08

TECHNICAL

3

Lowered 8/9/13

BETA

.65

(1.00 = Market)

2016-18 PROJECTIONS

Price

60

Gain

(+50%)

Ann'l Total Return

13%

Low

45

Gain

(+10%)

6%

Insider Decisions

N

D

J

F

M

A

M

J

J

to Buy

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Options

4

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8

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to Sell

4

0

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8

0

3

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Institutional Decisions

4Q2012

10Q2013

2Q2013

to Buy

188

191

165

to Sell

175

186

209

Hld's(000)

146609

145912

144834

Percent shares traded

21

14

7

High: 23.7

Low: 16.5

23.0

16.2

25.8

19.4

32.8

25.2

39.4

31.3

43.7

37.0

Target Price 2016

Target Price 2017

Range 2018

80

60

50

40

30

25

20

15

10

7.5

% TOT. RETURN 9/13

THIS STOCK

VL ARITH. INDEX

1 yr. 14.4 31.2

3 yr. 93.8 60.1

5 yr. 127.5 110.2

1997

1998

1999

2000

2001

2002

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2004

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2006

2007

2008

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2010

2011

2012

2013

2014

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16-18

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13.08

13.84

14.61

13.98

15.49

15.18

16.25

16.60

17.50

Revenues per sh

20.25

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.65

d.47

2.87

2.89

3.56

3.73

4.27

4.45

4.70

"Cash Flow" per sh

5.25

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d.97

d2.14

1.10

1.25

1.53

1.72

2.11

2.20

2.40

Earnings per sh ^A

2.90

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.40

.82

.86

.91

.96

1.06

1.20

Div'd Decl'd per sh ^B

1.40

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4.31

4.74

6.31

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5.27

5.25

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5.35

Cap'l Spending per sh

5.50

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23.86

28.39

25.64

22.91

23.59

24.11

25.10

26.40

27.50

Book Value per sh ^D

30.00

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160.00

160.00

160.00

174.63

175.00

175.66

176.99

178.50

180.00

Common Shs Outst'g ^G

185.00

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18.9

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14.6

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Avg Ann'l P/E Ratio

18.5

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1.14

1.04

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1.05

1.07

Relative P/E Ratio

1.25

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1.9%

4.2%

3.8%

3.1%

2.7%

Avg Ann'l Div'd Yield

2.7%

CAPITAL STRUCTURE as of 6/30/13

Total Debt \$5761.0 mil. Due in 5 Yrs \$1034.0 mil.

LT Debt \$5180.7 mil. LT Interest \$301.0 mil.

(Total interest coverage: 4.4x) (53% of Cap'l)

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2093.1

2214.2

2336.9

2440.7

2710.7

2666.2

2876.9

2960

3150

Revenues (\$mill)

3750

Leases, Uncapitalized: Annual rentals \$28.1 mil.

Pension Assets \$1157.7 mill

Oblig. \$1621.2 mill.

Pfd Stock \$17.6 mill. Pfd Div'd \$.7 mill

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56.1%

50.9%

53.1%

56.9%

56.8%

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Long-Term Debt Ratio

54.5%

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43.9%

49.1%

46.9%

43.1%

43.2%

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46.0%

46.0%

46.0%

Common Equity Ratio

45.5%

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8692.8

9245.7

8750.2

9289.0

9561.3

9580.3

9652.7

10300

10800

Total Capital (\$mill)

11800

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8720.6

9318.0

9991.8

10254.0

11059

11021

11739

12300

12800

Net Plant (\$mill)

14200

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NMF

NMF

3.7%

3.8%

4.4%

4.8%

5.5%

5.5%

5.5%

Return on Total Cap'l

6.0%

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NMF

NMF

4.6%

5.2%

6.5%

7.2%

8.4%

8.0%

8.5%

Return on Shr. Equity

9.5%

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NMF

NMF

4.6%

5.2%

6.5%

7.2%

8.4%

8.0%

8.5%

Return on Com Equity

9.5%

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NMF

NMF

3.0%

1.8%

2.8%

3.5%

4.6%

4.5%

4.5%

Retained to Com Eq

4.5%

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34%

65%

56%

52%

45%

48%

50%

All Div'ds to Net Prof

50%

CASH ASSETS

14.2

24.4

20.4

Cash Assets

1383.5

475.0

525.4

Current Assets

1397.7

499.4

545.8

Accts Payable

243.7

279.6

178.4

Debt Due

543.9

580.3

580.3

Other

701.5

329.3

290.6

Current Liab.

1489.1

994.8

1049.3

Fix. Chg. Cov.

256%

292%

300%

ANNUAL RATES

Past 10 Yrs.

Past 5 Yrs.

Est'd '10-'12

of change (per sh)

10 Yrs.

5 Yrs.

to '16-'18

Revenues

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3.0%

5.0%

"Cash Flow"

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NMF

6.5%

Earnings

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10.0%

Dividends

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9.0%

Book Value

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-1.5%

4.5%

Cal-endar

Mar.31

Jun.30

Sep.30

Dec.31

Full Year

2010

588.1

671.2

786.9

664.5

2710.7

2011

596.7

668.8

760.9

639.8

2666.2

2012

618.7

745.6

831.8

680.8

2876.9

2013

636.1

724.3

890

709.6

2960

2014

670

775

945

760

3150

Cal-endar

Mar.31

Jun.30

Sep.30

Dec.31

Full Year

2010

.18

.42

.71

.23

1.53

2011

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.73

.32

1.72

2012

.28

.66

.87

.30

2.11

2013

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.41

2.20

2014

.35

.65

1.00

.40

2.40

Cal-endar

Mar.31

Jun.30

Sep.30

Dec.31

Full Year

2009

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2010

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2011

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2012

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.96

2013

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BUSINESS:

American Water Works Company, Inc. is the largest investor-owned water and wastewater utility in the U.S., providing services to over 14 million people in over 30 states and Canada. It's nonregulated business assists municipalities and military bases with the maintenance and upkeep as well. Regulated operations made up 89.1% of 2012 revenues. New Jersey is its biggest market

accounting for 22.2% of revenues. Has roughly 7,000 employees. Depreciation rate, 2.6% in '12. BlackRock, Inc., owns 10.3% of the common stock outstanding. Off. & dir. own less than 1% (3/13 Proxy). President & CEO: Jeffrey Sterba. Chairman: George Mackenzie. Address: 1025 Laurel Oak Road, Voorhees, NJ 08043. Telephone: 856-346-8200. Internet: www.amwater.com.

American Water Works continues to do a good job of staying on the right side of regulators. The company must contend with 30 different state regulatory commissions in order to recoup the large sums that it is investing in its individual water systems located throughout the country. The utility's basic formula for success in dealing with regulators has been to keep costs low. This feat has been achieved by improving operating margins and continually reducing expense ratios, a trend we expect to continue. Indeed, effective cost containment makes it much more difficult for state commissions to deny much needed rate increases.

Expansion via acquisitions will remain a key element to American Water's long-term growth. The company should continue to scoop up some of the small water utilities that cash-strapped municipalities are willing to sell. Sixteen purchases were made last year and 10 have already been completed so far in 2013. It is American Water's expertise in integrating these new entities into its existing operations and reducing overhead that is behind its leaner cost structure.

American Water's construction budget should be large but manageable. Capital expenditures will probably be close to \$1 billion a year over the next 3- to 5 year period, due to the need to upgrade and repair the company's aging infrastructure. Internally generated funds will probably cover only about 75% of the outlays over this time frame. As a result, American Water will most likely have to issue more debt to make up the difference.

American Water's earnings and dividend growth prospects are good. The combination of efficient operations, inorganic growth, and greater contributions from nonutility businesses should enable annual earnings and dividend increases in the 7% to 10% range (versus about 5% for the industry) for the foreseeable future.

Long-term, income-oriented investors might like these shares. The yield on AWK's stock is close to the industry norm, yet its dividend growth prospects are well above-average. So, even though the stock is currently not timely, it still holds more appeal than most water utilities to the pull to 2016-2018.

James A. Flood

October 18, 2013

(A) Diluted earnings. Excludes nonrecurring losses: '08, \$4.62; '09, \$2.63; '11, \$0.07. Discontinued operations: '06, (4¢); '11, 3¢; '12, (10¢). Next earnings report due late October.

Quarterly earnings may not sum due to rounding. (B) Dividends paid in March, June, September, and December. ■ Div. reinvestment available. (C) In millions. (D) Includes intangibles. In

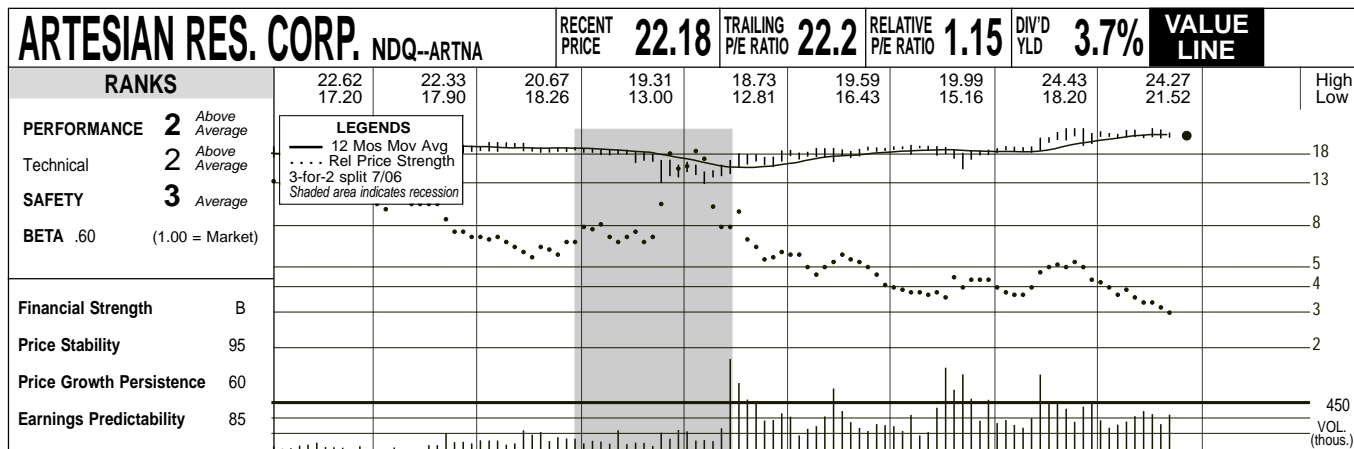
2012: \$1.207 billion, \$6.82/share. **(E)** Pro forma numbers for '06 & '07.

Company's Financial Strength	B+
Stock's Price Stability	95
Price Growth Persistence	90
Earnings Predictability	20

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AQUA AMERICA NYSE-WTR				RECENT PRICE		23.97		P/E RATIO		20.3 (Trailing: 22.7 Median: 24.0)		RELATIVE P/E RATIO		1.15		DIV'D YLD		2.6%		VALUE LINE													
TIMELINESS		3 Lowered 5/24/13		High: 12.0		13.4		14.8		23.4		23.8		21.3		17.6		17.2		18.4		19.0		21.5		28.1		20.6		Target Price Range		2016 2017 2018	
SAFETY		2 Raised 4/20/12		Low: 7.7		9.5		11.3		14.0		16.1		15.1		9.8		12.3		13.2		15.4		16.8									
TECHNICAL		3 Raised 9/13/13		LEGENDS		1.60 x Dividends p sh divided by Interest Rate																											
BETA		.60 (1.00 = Market)	 Relative Price Strength																													
2016-18 PROJECTIONS				5-for-4 split 12/00																													
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				5-for-4 split 12/03																													
				4-for-3 split 12/05																													
				5-for-4 split 9/13																													
Price		Gain		Ann'l Total Return																													
High		40		(+65%)		19%																											
Low		25		(+5%)		4%																											
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to Buy		118		136		141																											
to Sell		117		116		130																											
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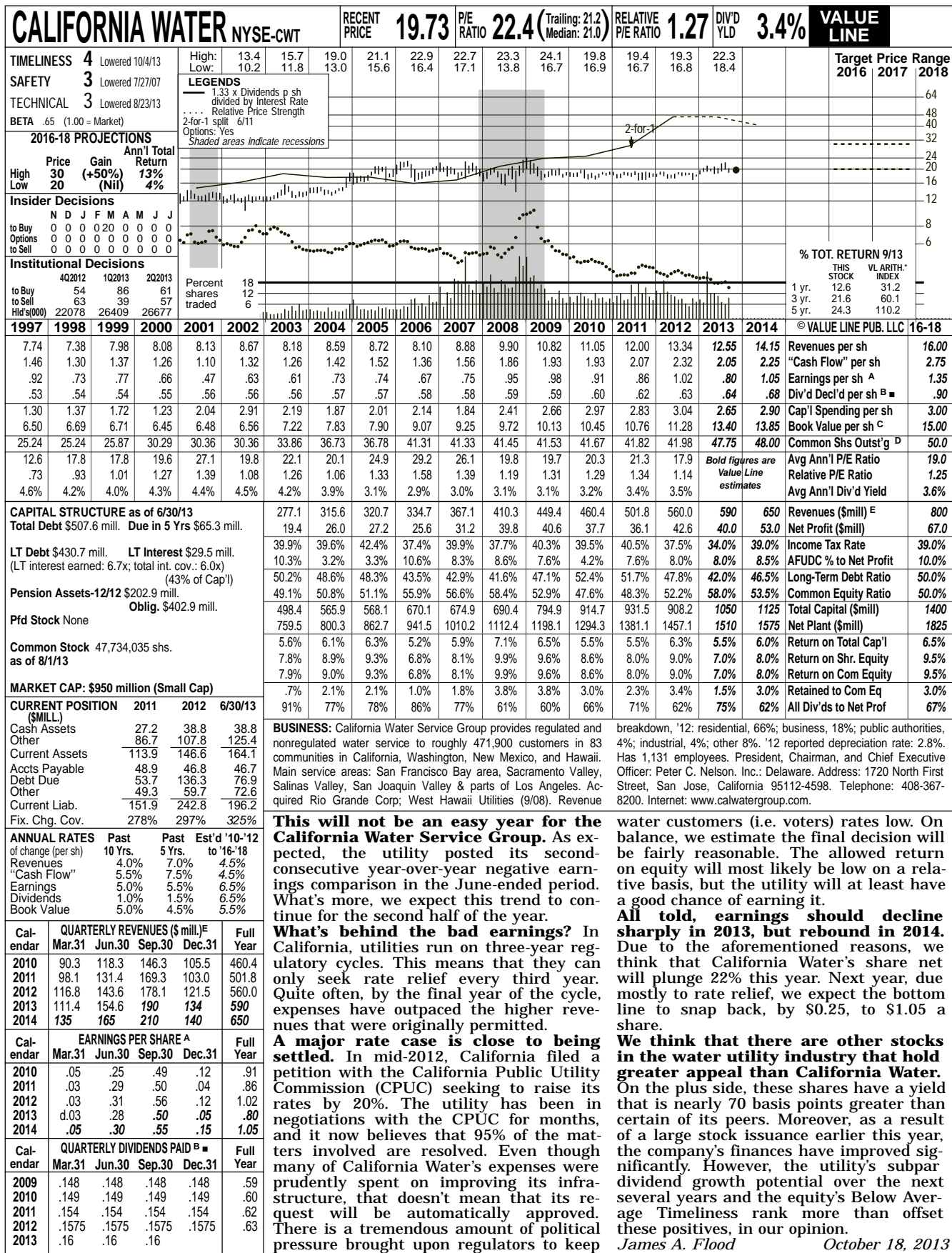
© VALUE LINE PUBLISHING LLC	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014/2015
SALES PER SH	7.52	7.77	7.20	7.59	8.11	8.48	7.56	8.10	--	
"CASH FLOW" PER SH	1.56	1.75	1.57	1.65	1.84	1.92	1.64	2.04	--	
EARNINGS PER SH	.81	.97	.90	.86	.97	1.00	.83	1.13	1.05 ^{A,B}	1.23 ^C /NA
DIV'D DECL'D PER SH	.58	.61	.66	.71	.72	.75	.76	.79	--	
CAP'L SPENDING PER SH	3.35	5.08	3.66	6.09	2.32	2.57	1.83	2.36	--	
BOOK VALUE PER SH	9.60	10.15	11.66	11.86	12.15	12.44	13.12	13.57	--	
COMMON SHS OUTST'G (MILL)	6.02	6.09	7.30	7.40	7.51	7.65	8.61	8.71	--	
AVG ANN'L P/E RATIO	24.2	20.3	21.5	20.1	16.4	18.2	22.5	18.3	21.1	18.0/NA
RELATIVE P/E RATIO	1.28	1.10	1.14	1.21	1.09	1.16	1.41	1.17	--	
AVG ANN'L DIV'D YIELD	2.9%	3.1%	3.4%	4.1%	4.5%	4.1%	4.1%	3.8%	--	
SALES (\$MILL)	45.3	47.3	52.5	56.2	60.9	64.9	65.1	70.6	--	Bold figures are consensus earnings estimates and, using the recent prices, P/E ratios.
OPERATING MARGIN	100.0%	45.6%	45.6%	45.1%	46.9%	46.5%	45.5%	48.7%	--	
DEPRECIATION (\$MILL)	4.4	4.6	5.2	5.8	6.6	7.0	7.4	7.9	--	
NET PROFIT (\$MILL)	5.0	6.1	6.3	6.4	7.3	7.6	6.7	9.8	--	
INCOME TAX RATE	39.9%	39.0%	39.8%	40.8%	40.1%	40.0%	40.8%	40.2%	--	
NET PROFIT MARGIN	11.1%	12.8%	11.9%	11.4%	11.9%	11.7%	10.4%	14.0%	--	
WORKING CAP'L (\$MILL)	d1.8	d8.8	2.5	d20.9	d23.3	d27.9	d11.4	d11.4	--	
LONG-TERM DEBT (\$MILL)	92.4	92.1	91.8	107.6	106.0	105.1	106.5	106.3	--	
SHR. EQUITY (\$MILL)	57.8	61.8	85.1	87.8	91.2	95.1	113.0	118.2	--	
RETURN ON TOTAL CAP'L	5.3%	5.8%	5.3%	4.7%	5.2%	5.6%	4.6%	5.9%	--	
RETURN ON SHR. EQUITY	8.7%	9.8%	7.4%	7.3%	8.0%	8.0%	6.0%	8.3%	--	
RETAINED TO COM EQ	2.7%	3.8%	2.1%	1.4%	2.1%	2.0%	.5%	2.5%	--	
ALL DIV'DS TO NET PROF	69%	61%	71%	81%	74%	75%	92%	70%	--	

^ANo. of analysts changing earn. est. in last 4 days: 0 up, 0 down, consensus 5-year earnings growth not available. ^BBased upon 4 analysts' estimates. ^CBased upon 4 analysts' estimates.

ANNUAL RATES					ASSETS (\$mill.)			INDUSTRY: Water Utility		
of change (per share)	5 Yrs.	1 Yr.			2011	2012	6/30/13	BUSINESS: Artesian Resources Corporation, through its subsidiaries, provides water, wastewater, and other services on the Delmarva Peninsula. It distributes and sells water to residential, commercial, industrial, municipal, and utility customers in Delaware, Maryland, and Pennsylvania. The company also offers water for public and private fire protection to customers in its service territories. In addition, it provides contract water and wastewater services, water and sewer service line protection plans, and wastewater management services, as well as design, construction, and engineering services. As of December 31, 2012, the company served approximately 79,000 metered water customers through 1,162 miles of transmission and distribution mains. Has 229 employees. Chairman, C.E.O. & President: Dian C. Taylor. Address: 664 Churchmans Rd., Newark, DE 19702. Tel.: (302) 453-6900. Internet: http://www.artesianwater.com .		
Sales	1.5%	7.0%			Cash Assets	.3	.6			
"Cash Flow"	3.0%	24.0%			Receivables	8.6	8.7			
Earnings	2.0%	36.0%			Inventory	1.5	1.4			
Dividends	4.5%	4.0%			Other	2.9	2.8			
Book Value	4.5%	3.5%			Current Assets	13.3	13.5			
					Property, Plant & Equip, at cost	435.0	454.4			
					Accum Depreciation	77.4	83.8			
					Net Property	357.6	370.6			
					Other	7.8	7.6			
					Total Assets	378.7	391.7			
					LIABILITIES (\$mill.)					
					Accts Payable	2.8	3.5			
					Debt Due	13.8	12.6			
					Other	8.1	8.8			
					Current Liab	24.7	24.9			
					LONG-TERM DEBT AND EQUITY as of 6/30/13					
					Total Debt \$116.8 mill.		Due in 5 Yrs. NA			
					LT Debt \$106.1 mill.					
					Including Cap. Leases NA		(47% of Cap'l)			
					Leases, Uncapitalized Annual rentals NA					
					Pension Liability \$4 mill. in '12 vs. \$5 mill. in '11					
					Pfd Stock None		Pfd Div'd Paid None			
					Common Stock 8,781,642 shares		(53% of Cap'l)			
INSTITUTIONAL DECISIONS					TOTAL SHAREHOLDER RETURN			Dividends plus appreciation as of 9/30/2013		
	4Q'12	1Q'13	2Q'13		3 Mos.	6 Mos.	1 Yr.	3 Yrs.	5 Yrs.	
to Buy	28	32	31		0.79%	0.84%	-0.68%	31.05%	63.01%	
to Sell	32	26	30							
Hld's(000)	3052	3036	3029							

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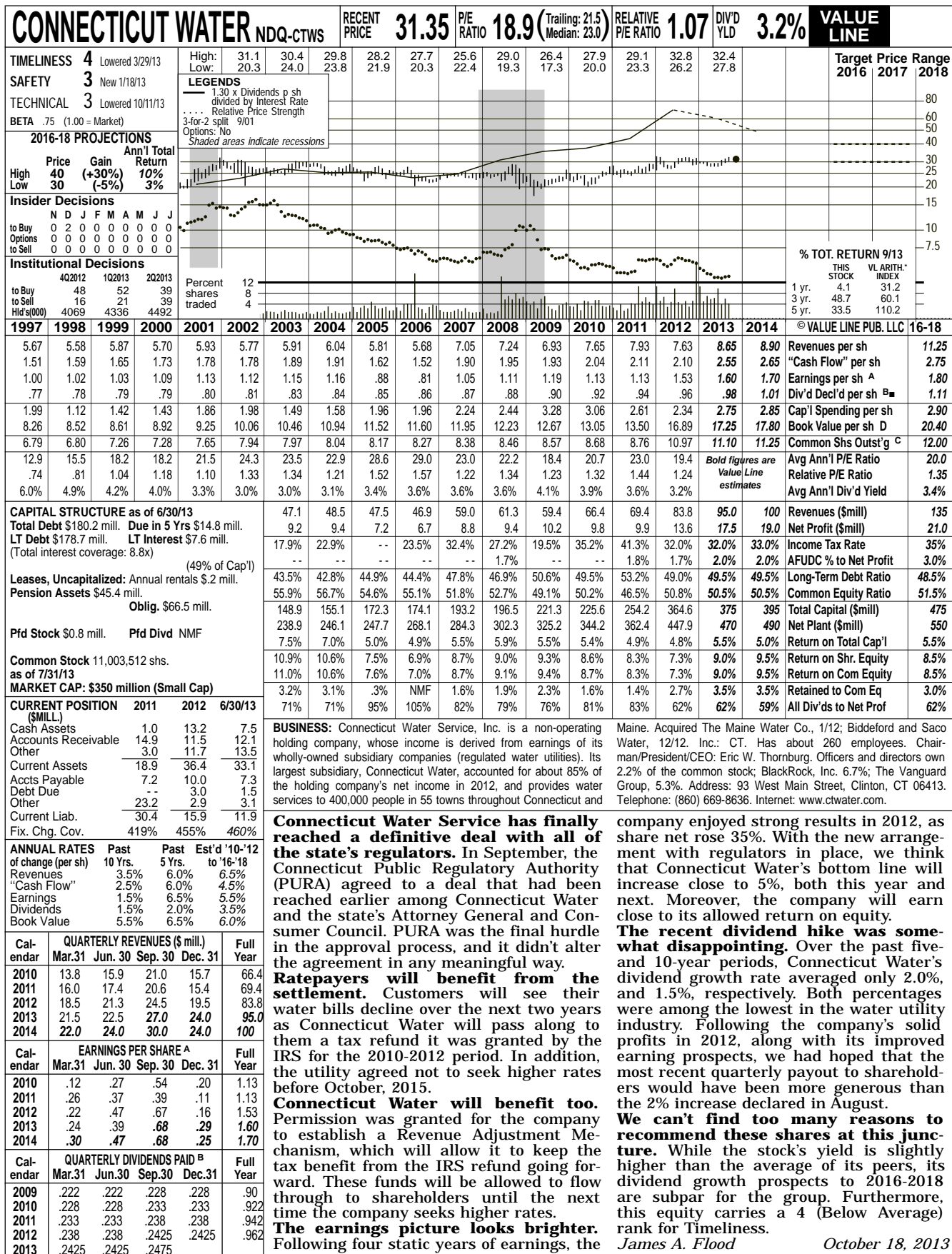
(A) Basic EPS. Excl. nonrecurring gain (loss): '00, (.46); '01, .26; '02, .46; '11, .46. Next earnings report due mid-August.
 (B) Dividends historically paid in late Feb., May, Aug., and Nov. ■ Div'd reinvestment plan available.
 (C) Incl. intangible assets. In '12: \$18.8 mill., \$0.44/sh.

(D) In millions, adjusted for splits.
 (E) Excludes non-reg. rev.

Company's Financial Strength B++
 Stock's Price Stability 100
 Price Growth Persistence 50
 Earnings Predictability 90

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(A) Diluted earnings. Next earnings report due mid-November. Quarterly earnings do not add in '12 due to rounding.

(B) Dividends historically paid in mid-March.

(C) In millions, adjusted for split.

(D) Includes intangibles. In '12: \$31.7 mil-

lion/\$2.89 a share.

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company enjoyed strong interest in 2012, as share net rose 35%. With the new arrangement with regulators in place, we think that Connecticut Water's bottom line will increase close to 5%, both this year and next. Moreover, the company will earn close to its allowed return on equity.

The recent dividend hike was somewhat disappointing. Over the past five- and 10-year periods, Connecticut Water's dividend growth rate averaged only 2.0%, and 1.5%, respectively. Both percentages were among the lowest in the water utility industry. Following the company's solid profits in 2012, along with its improved earning prospects, we had hoped that the most recent quarterly payout to shareholders would have been more generous than the 2% increase declared in August.

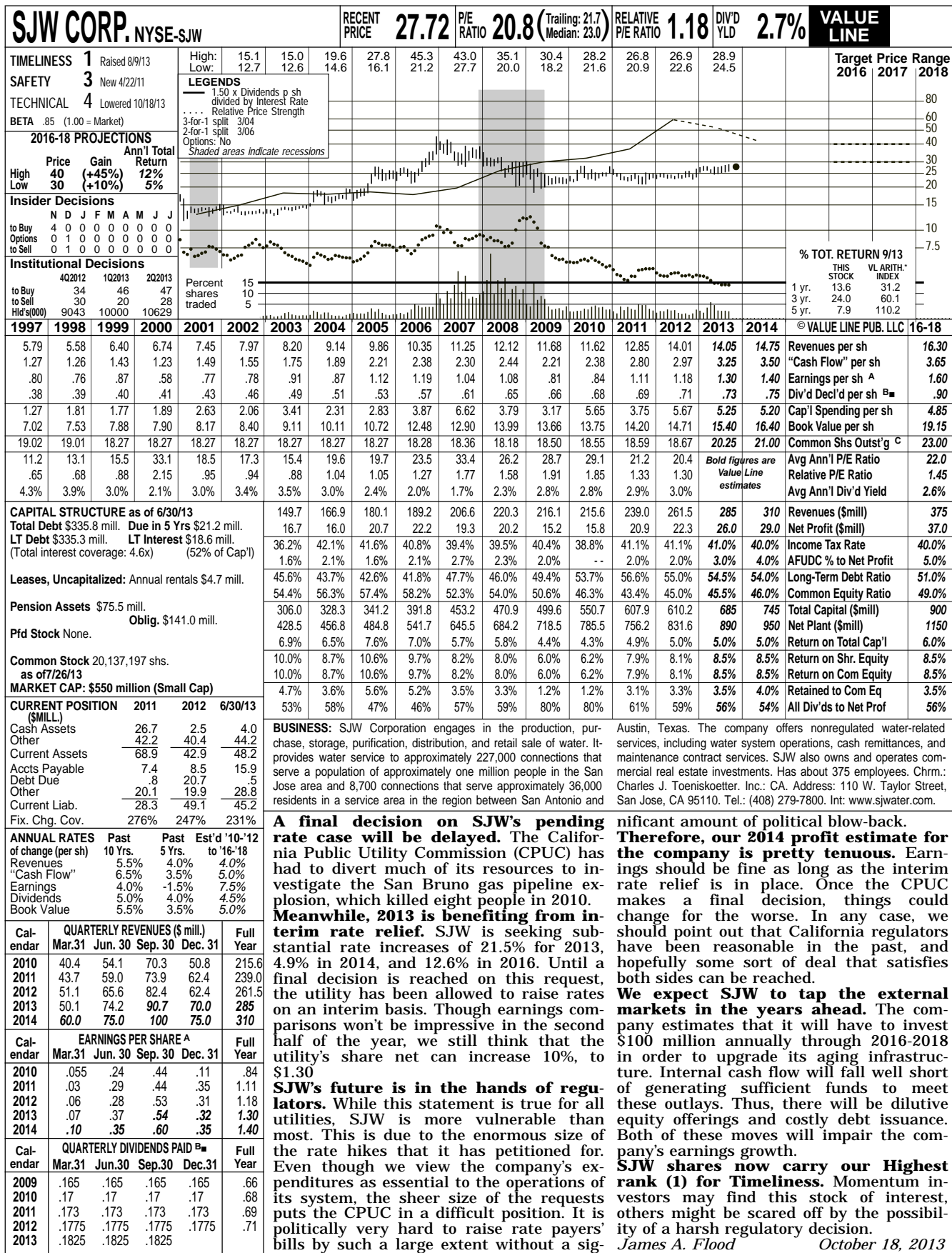
We can't find too many reasons to recommend these shares at this juncture. While the stock's yield is slightly higher than the average of its peers, its dividend growth prospects to 2016-2018 are subpar for the group. Furthermore, this equity carries a 4 (Below Average) rank for Timeliness.

James A. Flood

October 18, 2013

Company's Financial Strength B+
Stock's Price Stability 90
Price Growth Persistence 50
Earnings Predictability 80

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(A) Diluted earnings. Excludes nonrecurring losses: '03, \$1.97; '04, \$3.78; '05, \$1.09; '06, \$16.36; '08, \$1.22; '10, 46¢. Next earnings report due late October. Quarterly egs. may not add due to rounding.

(B) Dividends historically paid in early March, June, September, and December. ■ Div'd reinvestment plan available.

(C) In millions, adjusted for stock splits.

Company's Financial Strength B+
 Stock's Price Stability 80
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YORK WATER NDQ-YORW				RECENT PRICE	19.90	P/E RATIO	25.8	(Trailing: 26.5 Median: 25.0)	RELATIVE P/E RATIO	1.47	DIV'D YLD	2.9%	VALUE LINE	Target Price Range				
TIMELINESS	4	Lowered 10/4/13	High: 13.4	13.4	14.0	17.9	21.0	18.5	16.5	18.0	18.0	18.1	18.5	22.0		2016	2017	2018
SAFETY	2	New 7/19/13	Low: 8.2	8.2	11.0	11.7	15.3	15.5	6.2	9.7	12.8	15.8	16.8	17.6				
TECHNICAL	3	Lowered 8/2/13	LEGENDS															
BETA	.70	(1.00 = Market)	1.10 x Dividends p sh divided by Interest Rate															
		 Relative Price Strength															
			2-for-1 split 5/02															
			3-for-2 split 9/06															
			Options: No															
			Shaded areas indicate recessions															
2016-18 PROJECTIONS																		
Price	25	Gain (+25%)	Ann'l Total															
Low	17	(-15%)	Return 8%															
Insider Decisions																		
to Buy			N D J F M A M J J															
Options			0 0 4 0 0 4 0 1 5															
to Sell			0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0															
Hld's(000)			0 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0															
Institutional Decisions																		
4Q2012			1Q2013															
to Buy			26 33 32															
to Sell			27 21 26															
Hld's(000)			3178 3375 3346															
			Percent shares traded															
			12															
			8															
			4															

(A) Diluted earnings. Next earnings report due early November.
(B) Dividends historically paid in mid-January, April, July, and October.

(C) In millions, adjusted for splits.

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Carolina Water Services, Inc.
Current Institutional Holdings and Individual Holdings
the Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies

	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>
	October 31, 2013 Percentage of Institutional Holdings	October 31, 2013 Percentage of Individual Holdings (1)
<u>Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies</u>		
American States Water Co.	62.12 %	37.88 %
American Water Works Co., Inc.	81.96	18.04
Aqua America, Inc.	47.24	52.76
Artesian Resources Corp.	37.90	62.10
California Water Service Group	56.98	43.02
Connecticut Water Service, Inc.	41.63	58.37
Middlesex Water Company	39.10	60.90
SJW Corporation	52.89	47.11
York Water Company	26.08	73.92
	<u>49.54 %</u>	<u>50.46 %</u>
Average		

Notes:

(1) (1 - column 1).

Source of Information: pro.edgar-online.com, October 31, 2013

Carolina Water Services, Inc.
Summary of Risk Premium Models for the
Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies

	<u>Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies</u>
Predictive Risk Premium Model TM (PRPM TM) (1)	12.07 %
Risk Premium Using an Adjusted Market Approach (2)	<u>9.96 %</u>
Average	<u><u>11.54 %</u></u>

Notes:

- (1) From page 2 of this Schedule.
- (2) From page 3 of this Schedule.

Carolina Water Services, Inc.
Derivation of Common Equity Cost Rate
Using the Predictive Risk Premium Model™ (PRPM™)
Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies (1)

	American States Water Co.	American Water Works Co., Inc.	Aqua America, Inc.	Artesian Resources Corp.	California Water Service Group	Connecticut Water Service, Inc.	Middlesex Water Company	SJW Corporation	York Water Company
GARCH Coefficient (2)	1.516803327	4.769091604	2.221510553	2.117502072	1.75823285	1.73798	1.972679422	1.337948339	1.946299283
Average Variance (2)	0.39%	0.28%	0.48%	0.30%	0.31%	0.29%	0.27%	0.42%	0.46%
PRPM™ Derived Risk Premium (2)	7.37%	17.45%	13.51%	8.02%	6.81%	6.11%	6.56%	6.97%	11.40%
Risk-Free Rate (3)	4.31%	4.31%	4.31%	4.31%	4.31%	4.31%	4.31%	4.31%	4.31%
Indicated Cost of Common Equity	11.68%	NA	17.82%	12.33%	11.12%	10.42%	10.87%	11.28%	15.71%
								Average	12.65%
								Median	11.48%
								Average of Average and Median Results:	12.07%

Notes:

- (1) PRPM™ calculated from first available trading month through September 2013.
- (2) Based upon data from CRSP® Data © 2012, Center For Research in Security Prices (CRSP®), The University of Chicago Booth School of Business.
- (3) From note 3 on page 2 of Schedule 6.

Carolina Water Services, Inc.
Indicated Common Equity Cost Rate
Through Use of a Risk Premium Model
Using an Adjusted Total Market Approach

<u>Line No.</u>		<u>Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies</u>
1.	Prospective Yield on Aaa Rated Corporate Bonds (1)	5.08 %
2.	Adjustment to Reflect Yield Spread Between Aaa Rated Corporate Bonds and A Rated Public Utility Bonds	<u>0.23 (2)</u>
3.	Adjusted Prospective Yield on A Rated Public Utility Bonds	5.31 %
4.	Adjustment to Reflect Bond Rating Difference of Proxy Group	<u>-0.04 (3)</u>
5.	Adjusted Prospective Bond Yield	5.27 %
6.	Equity Risk Premium (4)	<u>4.69</u>
7.	Risk Premium Derived Common Equity Cost Rate	<u><u>9.96 %</u></u>

- Notes:
- (1) Average consensus forecast of Moody's Aaa Rated Corporate bonds from Blue Chip Financial Forecasts (see pages 9 and 10 of this Schedule).
 - (2) The average yield spread of A rated public utility bonds over Aaa rated corporate bonds of 0.23% from page 6 of this Schedule.
 - (3) Adjustment to reflect the A1/A2 Moody's bond rating of the proxy group of nine water companies as shown on page 4 of this Schedule. The 4 basis point adjustment is derived by taking 1/6 of the spread between Aa2 and A2 Public Utility Bonds ($1/6 * 0.22\% = 0.04\%$).
 - (4) From page 7 of this Schedule.

Carolina Water Services, Inc.
Comparison of Bond Ratings for the
Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies

<u>Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies</u>	<u>Moody's</u>		<u>Standard & Poor's</u>	
	<u>Bond Rating</u>		<u>Bond Rating</u>	
	<u>November 2013</u>		<u>November 2013</u>	
	<u>Bond Rating</u>	<u>Numerical Weighting (1)</u>	<u>Bond Rating</u>	<u>Numerical Weighting (1)</u>
American States Water Co. (2)	A2	6.0	A+	5.0
American Water Works Co., Inc. (3)	A1	5.0	A	6.0
Aqua America, Inc. (4)	NR	- -	AA-	4.0
Artesian Resources Corp.	NR	- -	NR	- -
California Water Service Group (5)	NR	- -	AA-	4.0
Connecticut Water Service, Inc. (6)	NR	- -	A	6.0
Middlesex Water Company	NR	- -	A	6.0
SJW Corporation (7)	NR	- -	A	6.0
York Water Company	NR	- -	A-	7.0
Average	<u>A1/A2</u>	<u>5.5</u>	<u>A+/A</u>	<u>5.5</u>

Notes:

- (1) From page 5 of this Schedule.
- (2) Ratings are those of Golden State Water Company.
- (3) Rating are those of Pennsylvania and New Jersey American Water.
- (4) Ratings are those of Aqua Pennsylvania, Inc.
- (5) Ratings are those of California Water Service Co.
- (6) Ratings are those of Connecticut Water Company.
- (7) Ratings are those of San Jose Water Co.

Source Information: Moody's Investors Service
Standard & Poor's Global Utilities Rating Service

Numerical Assignment for
Moody's and Standard & Poor's Bond Ratings

<u>Moody's Bond Rating</u>	<u>Numerical Bond Weighting</u>	<u>Standard & Poor's Bond Rating</u>
Aaa	1	AAA
Aa1	2	AA+
Aa2	3	AA
Aa3	4	AA-
A1	5	A+
A2	6	A
A3	7	A-
Baa1	8	BBB+
Baa2	9	BBB
Baa3	10	BBB-
Ba1	11	BB+
Ba2	12	BB
Ba3	13	BB-

Moody's
Comparison of Interest Rate Trends
for the Three Months Ending September 2013 (1)

Months	Corporate Bonds	Public Utility Bonds			Spread - Corporate v. Public Utility Bonds			Spread - Public Utility Bonds	
		Aa Rated	A Rated	Baa Rated	Aa (Pub. Util.) over Aaa (Corp.)	A (Pub. Util.) over Aaa (Corp.)	Baa (Pub. Util.) over Aaa (Corp.)	A over Aa	Baa over A
September-13	4.64 %	4.58 %	4.80 %	5.31 %					
August-13	4.54	4.53	4.73	5.28					
July-13	4.34	4.44	4.68	5.21					
Average of Last 3 Months	4.51 %	4.52 %	4.74 %	5.27 %	0.01 %	0.23 %	0.76 %	0.22 %	0.53 %

Notes: (1) All yields are distributed yields.

Source of Information: Mergent Bond Record, October 2013, Vol. 80, No. 10.

Carolina Water Services, Inc.
Judgment of Equity Risk Premium for
the Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies

<u>Line No.</u>		<u>Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies</u>
1.	Calculated equity risk premium based on the total market using the beta approach (1)	4.67 %
2.	Mean equity risk premium based on a study using the holding period returns of public utilities with A rated bonds (2)	<u>4.70</u>
3.	Average equity risk premium	<u><u>4.69 %</u></u>

Notes: (1) From page 8 of this Schedule.
(2) From page 11 of this Schedule.

Carolina Water Services, Inc.
Derivation of Equity Risk Premium Based on the Total Market Approach
Using the Beta for
the Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies

<u>Line No.</u>		<u>Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies</u>
<u>Based on SBBI Valuation Yearbook Data:</u>		
1.	Ibbotson Equity Risk Premium (1)	5.60 %
2.	Ibbotson Equity Risk Premium based on PRPM TM (2)	9.22
<u>Based on Value Line Summary and Index:</u>		
3.	Equity Risk Premium Based on <u>Value Line Summary and Index</u> (3)	<u>5.19</u>
4.	Conclusion of Equity Risk Premium (4)	6.67 %
5.	Adjusted Value Line Beta (5)	<u>0.70</u>
6.	Beta Adjusted Equity Risk Premium	<u><u>4.67 %</u></u>

- Notes:
- (1) Based on the arithmetic mean historical monthly returns on large company common stocks from Ibbotson[®] SBBI[®] 2013 Valuation Yearbook - Market Results for Stocks, Bonds, Bills, and Inflation minus the arithmetic mean monthly yield of Moody's Aaa and Aa corporate bonds from 1926 - 2012. (11.83% - 6.23% = 5.60%).
 - (2) The Predictive Risk Premium Model (PRPMTM) is discussed in Mr.D'Ascendis's accompanying direct testimony. The Ibbotson equity risk premium based on the PRPMTM is derived by applying the PRPMTM to the monthly risk premiums between Ibbotson large company common stock monthly returns minus the average Aaa and Aa corporate monthly bond yields, from January 1928 through September 2013.
 - (3) The equity risk premium based on the Value Line Summary and Index is derived from taking the projected 3-5 year total annual market return of 10.27% (described fully in note 1 of page 2 of Schedule 6) and subtracting the average consensus forecast of Aaa corporate bonds of 5.08% (Shown on page 3 of this Schedule). (10.27% - 5.08% = 5.19%).
 - (4) Average of Lines 1, 2, & 3.
 - (5) Median beta derived from page 1 of Schedule 6.

Sources of Information:

Ibbotson[®] SBBI[®] 2013 Valuation Yearbook - Market Results for Stocks, Bonds, Bills, and Inflation, Morningstar, Inc., 2013 Chicago, IL.
Industrial Manual and Mergent Bond Record Monthly Update.
Value Line Summary and Index
Blue Chip Financial Forecasts, June 1 and November 1, 2013

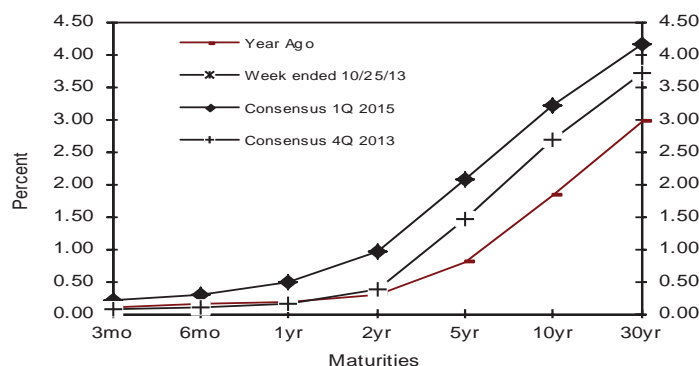
Consensus Forecasts Of U.S. Interest Rates And Key Assumptions¹

Interest Rates	History								Consensus Forecasts-Quarterly Avg.					
	Average For Week Ending				Average For Month			Latest Q	4Q	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q
	Oct. 25	Oct. 18	Oct. 11	Oct. 4	Sep.	Aug.	July		2013	2014	2014	2014	2014	2015
Federal Funds Rate	0.09	0.10	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.09	0.08	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Prime Rate	3.25	3.25	3.25	3.25	3.25	3.25	3.25	3.25	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
LIBOR, 3-mo.	0.24	0.24	0.24	0.24	0.25	0.26	0.27	0.26	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4
Commercial Paper, 1-mo.	0.06	0.11	0.10	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.06	0.05	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.3
Treasury bill, 3-mo.	0.04	0.08	0.05	0.02	0.02	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2
Treasury bill, 6-mo.	0.07	0.11	0.07	0.04	0.04	0.07	0.07	0.06	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.3
Treasury bill, 1 yr.	0.11	0.14	0.14	0.11	0.12	0.13	0.12	0.12	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5
Treasury note, 2 yr.	0.32	0.34	0.37	0.33	0.40	0.36	0.34	0.37	0.4	0.4	0.6	0.7	0.8	1.0
Treasury note, 5 yr.	1.34	1.39	1.43	1.39	1.60	1.52	1.40	1.51	1.4	1.6	1.7	1.8	1.9	2.1
Treasury note, 10 yr.	2.58	2.66	2.68	2.64	2.81	2.74	2.58	2.71	2.7	2.8	2.9	3.1	3.2	3.2
Treasury note, 30 yr.	3.64	3.70	3.72	3.71	3.79	3.76	3.61	3.72	3.7	3.8	3.9	4.0	4.1	4.2
Corporate Aaa bond	4.48	4.55	4.58	4.58	4.64	4.54	4.34	4.51	4.5	4.6	4.7	4.8	4.9	5.0
Corporate Baa bond	5.24	5.32	5.38	5.41	5.47	5.42	5.32	5.40	5.4	5.5	5.6	5.7	5.8	5.9
State & Local bonds	4.56	4.68	4.57	4.53	4.79	4.82	4.56	4.72	4.6	4.6	4.7	4.8	4.8	4.9
Home mortgage rate	4.13	4.28	4.23	4.22	4.49	4.46	4.37	4.44	4.4	4.5	4.6	4.7	4.8	4.9

Key Assumptions	History								Consensus Forecasts-Quarterly					
	4Q	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q	1Q	3Q*	4Q	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q
	2011	2012	2012	2012	2012	2013	2013	2013	2013	2014	2014	2014	2014	2015
Major Currency Index	72.4	72.9	73.9	74.0	73.2	74.7	76.4	76.6	75.7	75.8	76.3	76.6	77.0	77.0
Real GDP	4.9	3.7	1.2	2.8	0.1	1.1	2.5	2.1	2.1	2.7	2.8	2.8	2.9	3.0
GDP Price Index	0.5	2.0	1.8	2.3	1.1	1.3	0.6	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.9	2.0	2.0
Consumer Price Index	1.4	2.3	1.0	2.1	2.2	1.4	0.0	2.1	1.7	1.9	1.9	2.2	2.1	2.2

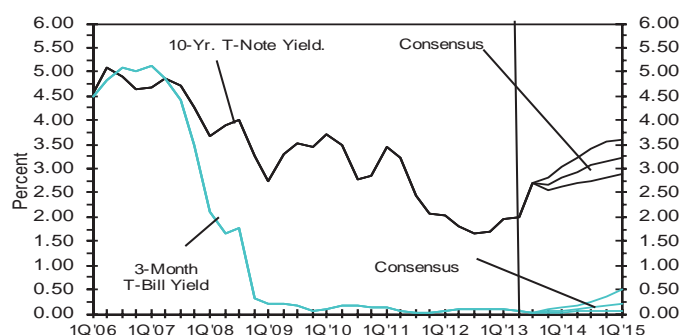
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U.S. Treasury Yield Curve
Week ended October 25, 2013 and Year Ago.
4Q 2013 and 1Q 2015 Consensus Forecasts



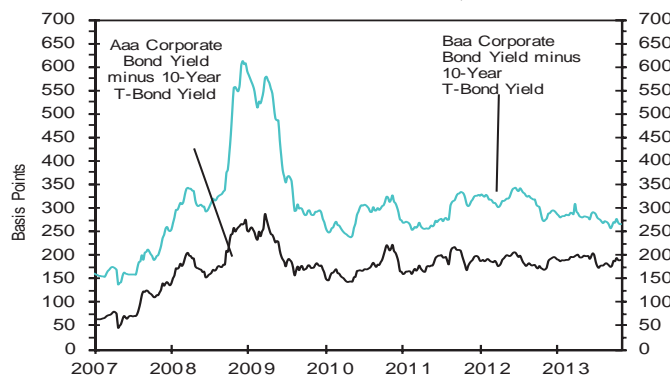
U.S. 3-Mo. T-Bills & 10-Yr. T-Note Yield

(Quarterly Average) History Forecast



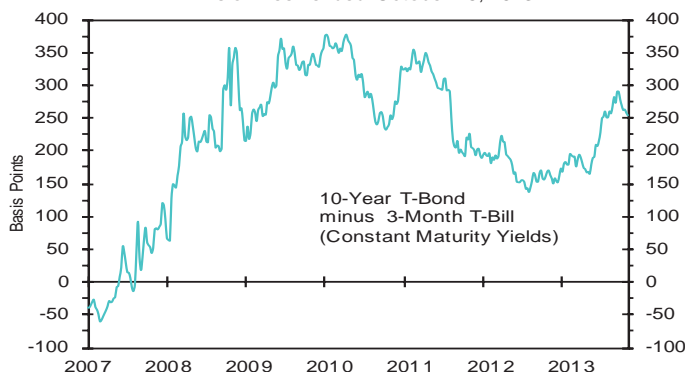
Corporate Bond Spreads

As of week ended October 25, 2013



U.S. Treasury Yield Curve

As of week ended October 25, 2013



Long-Range Forecasts:

The table below contains results of our semi-annual long-range CONSENSUS survey. There are also Top 10 and Bottom 10 averages for each variable. Shown are estimates for the years 2015 through 2019 and averages for the five-year periods 2015-2019 and 2020-2024. Apply these projections cautiously. Few economic, demographic and political forces can be evaluated accurately over such long time spans.

		-----Average For The Year-----					Five-Year Averages	
<u>Interest Rates</u>		<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2015-2019</u>	<u>2020-2024</u>
1. Federal Funds Rate	CONSENSUS	0.8	2.0	3.1	3.6	3.9	2.7	3.8
	Top 10 Average	1.6	3.4	4.3	4.4	4.6	3.7	4.6
	Bottom 10 Average	0.2	0.8	1.7	2.5	3.1	1.7	2.9
2. Prime Rate	CONSENSUS	3.9	5.1	6.1	6.6	6.9	5.7	6.8
	Top 10 Average	4.7	6.5	7.3	7.6	7.6	6.7	7.5
	Bottom 10 Average	3.3	3.9	4.8	5.5	6.1	4.7	6.0
3. LIBOR, 3-Mo.	CONSENSUS	1.1	2.4	3.3	3.9	4.1	3.0	4.1
	Top 10 Average	2.0	3.8	4.6	4.8	4.9	4.0	4.9
	Bottom 10 Average	0.5	1.1	2.0	2.8	3.3	1.9	3.0
4. Commercial Paper, 1-Mo.	CONSENSUS	1.0	2.3	3.2	3.7	3.9	2.8	3.7
	Top 10 Average	1.7	3.4	4.3	4.5	4.6	3.7	4.5
	Bottom 10 Average	0.5	1.2	2.1	2.8	3.1	1.9	2.8
5. Treasury Bill Yield, 3-Mo.	CONSENSUS	0.9	2.0	3.1	3.5	3.8	2.7	3.7
	Top 10 Average	1.7	3.4	4.3	4.5	4.6	3.7	4.5
	Bottom 10 Average	0.2	0.8	1.7	2.4	2.9	1.6	2.7
6. Treasury Bill Yield, 6-Mo.	CONSENSUS	1.0	2.2	3.2	3.7	3.9	2.8	3.9
	Top 10 Average	1.8	3.5	4.4	4.7	4.7	3.8	4.6
	Bottom 10 Average	0.3	1.0	1.8	2.6	3.0	1.7	2.8
7. Treasury Bill Yield, 1-Yr.	CONSENSUS	1.2	2.4	3.3	3.8	4.0	2.9	4.0
	Top 10 Average	2.1	3.6	4.5	4.8	4.9	4.0	4.8
	Bottom 10 Average	0.4	1.1	1.9	2.7	3.1	1.9	3.0
8. Treasury Note Yield, 2-Yr.	CONSENSUS	1.6	2.7	3.6	4.1	4.2	3.2	4.2
	Top 10 Average	2.4	3.8	4.7	5.0	5.1	4.2	5.0
	Bottom 10 Average	0.8	1.6	2.4	3.0	3.3	2.2	3.1
10. Treasury Note Yield, 5-Yr.	CONSENSUS	2.3	3.3	4.1	4.4	4.6	3.8	4.5
	Top 10 Average	3.2	4.4	5.1	5.3	5.5	4.7	5.3
	Bottom 10 Average	1.5	2.3	3.1	3.4	3.6	2.8	3.5
11. Treasury Note Yield, 10-Yr.	CONSENSUS	3.2	4.1	4.6	4.9	5.0	4.4	4.9
	Top 10 Average	4.0	5.0	5.5	5.8	5.9	5.3	5.7
	Bottom 10 Average	2.5	3.2	3.6	3.8	4.0	3.4	4.0
12. Treasury Bond Yield, 30-Yr.	CONSENSUS	4.2	4.8	5.4	5.6	5.7	5.2	5.6
	Top 10 Average	5.0	5.9	6.4	6.6	6.8	6.1	6.5
	Bottom 10 Average	3.5	3.9	4.4	4.6	4.7	4.2	4.7
13. Corporate Aaa Bond Yield	CONSENSUS	4.9	5.5	6.0	6.2	6.3	5.8	6.3
	Top 10 Average	5.6	6.5	7.0	7.1	7.3	6.7	7.1
	Bottom 10 Average	4.1	4.5	5.1	5.3	5.4	4.9	5.4
13. Corporate Baa Bond Yield	CONSENSUS	5.8	6.6	7.1	7.4	7.5	6.9	7.4
	Top 10 Average	6.6	7.6	8.0	8.3	8.5	7.8	8.3
	Bottom 10 Average	5.1	5.6	6.2	6.4	6.5	5.9	6.5
14. State & Local Bonds Yield	CONSENSUS	4.4	5.1	5.5	5.6	5.7	5.2	5.6
	Top 10 Average	5.2	6.1	6.5	6.5	6.6	6.2	6.4
	Bottom 10 Average	3.8	4.1	4.6	4.7	4.9	4.4	4.8
15. Home Mortgage Rate	CONSENSUS	4.8	5.6	6.2	6.4	6.5	5.9	6.5
	Top 10 Average	5.7	6.6	7.1	7.4	7.4	6.8	7.3
	Bottom 10 Average	4.1	4.6	5.1	5.4	5.5	5.0	5.5
A. FRB - Major Currency Index	CONSENSUS	78.6	79.1	79.3	79.6	79.6	79.2	80.0
	Top 10 Average	82.7	83.7	84.7	85.2	85.3	84.3	85.9
	Bottom 10 Average	74.4	74.2	73.9	73.9	74.1	74.1	74.2
		-----Year-Over-Year, % Change-----					Five-Year Averages	
		<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2015-2019</u>	<u>2020-2024</u>
B. Real GDP	CONSENSUS	3.0	2.9	2.8	2.7	2.6	2.8	2.5
	Top 10 Average	3.5	3.3	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.2	2.9
	Bottom 10 Average	2.6	2.6	2.4	2.3	2.3	2.4	2.2
C. GDP Chained Price Index	CONSENSUS	2.1	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.2
	Top 10 Average	2.4	2.5	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.5
	Bottom 10 Average	1.6	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.9
D. Consumer Price Index	CONSENSUS	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4
	Top 10 Average	2.7	2.8	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.8	2.8
	Bottom 10 Average	1.8	1.9	1.8	1.9	2.0	1.9	2.0

Carolina Water Services, Inc.
Derivation of Mean Equity Risk Premium Based on a Study
Using Holding Period Returns of Public Utilities

<u>Line No.</u>		<u>Over A Rated Moody's Public Utility Bonds - AUS Consultants Study (1)</u>
1.	Arithmetic Mean Holding Period Returns on the Standard & Poor's Utility Index 1926-2012 (2):	10.69 %
2.	Arithmetic Mean Yield on Moody's A Rated Public Utility Yields 1926-2012	<u>(6.53)</u>
3.	Historical Equity Risk Premium	4.16 %
4.	Forecasted Equity Risk Premium Based on PRPM™ (3)	<u>5.24</u>
5.	Average of Historical and PRPM™ Equity Risk Premium	<u><u>4.70</u> %</u>
Notes:	<p>(1) Based on S&P Public Utility Index monthly total returns and Moody's Public Utility Bond average monthly yields from 1928-2012, (AUS Consultants, 2013).</p> <p>(2) Holding period returns are calculated based upon income received (dividends and interest) plus the relative change in the market value of a security over a one-year holding period.</p> <p>(3) The Predictive Risk Premium Model (PRPM™) is applied to the risk premium of the monthly total returns of the S&P Utility Index and the monthly yields on Moody's A rated public utility bonds from 1928 - 2012.</p>	

Carolina Water Services, Inc.
Indicated Common Equity Cost Rate Through Use
of the Traditional Capital Asset Pricing Model (CAPM) and Empirical Capital Asset Pricing Model (ECAPM)

	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>
Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies	Value Line Adjusted Beta	Market Risk Premium (1)	Risk-Free Rate (2)	Traditional CAPM Cost Rate (3)	ECAPM Cost Rate (4)	Indicated Common Equity Cost Rate (5)
American States Water Co.	0.70	7.61 %	4.31 %	9.64 %	10.21 %	
American Water Works Co., Inc.	0.65	7.61	4.31	9.26	9.92	
Aqua America, Inc.	0.60	7.61	4.31	8.88	9.64	
Artesian Resources Corp.	0.60	7.61	4.31	8.88	9.64	
California Water Service Group	0.65	7.61	4.31	9.26	9.92	
Connecticut Water Service, Inc.	0.75	7.61	4.31	10.02	10.49	
Middlesex Water Company	0.70	7.61	4.31	9.64	10.21	
SJW Corporation	0.85	7.61	4.31	10.78	11.06	
York Water Company	<u>0.70</u>	7.61	4.31	<u>9.64</u>	<u>10.21</u>	
Average	<u>0.69</u>			<u>9.55 %</u>	<u>10.14 %</u>	<u>9.85 %</u>
Median	<u>0.70</u>			<u>9.64 %</u>	<u>10.21 %</u>	<u>9.93 %</u>
Average of Average and Median Results:						<u>9.89 %</u>

See page 2 for notes.

Carolina Water Services, Inc.
Development of the Market-Required Rate of Return on Common Equity Using
the Capital Asset Pricing Model for
the Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies
Adjusted to Reflect a Forecasted Risk-Free Rate and Market Return

Notes:

- (1) For reasons explained in Mr. D'Ascendis' accompanying direct testimony, from the 13 weeks ending November 1, 2013, Value Line Summary & Index, a forecasted 3-5 year total annual market return of 10.27% can be derived by averaging the 13 weeks ending November 1, 2013 forecasted total 3-5 year total appreciation, converting it into an annual market appreciation and adding the Value Line average forecasted annual dividend yield.

The 3-5 year average total market appreciation of 37% produces a four-year average annual return of 8.19% $((1.37^{0.25}) - 1)$. When the average annual forecasted dividend yield of 2.08% is added, a total average market return of 10.27% (2.08% + 8.19%) is derived.

The 13 weeks ending November 1, 2013 forecasted total market return of 10.27% minus the risk-free rate of 4.31 (developed in Note 2) is 5.96% (10.27% - 4.31%).

The Predictive Risk Premium Model (PRPMTM) market equity risk premium of 10.32% is derived by applying the PRPMTM to the monthly equity risk premium of large company common stocks over the income return on long-term U.S. Government Securities from January 1926 through September 2013.

The Morningstar, Inc. (Ibbotson Associates) calculated arithmetic mean monthly market equity risk premium of 6.55% for the period 1926-2012 results from a total market return of 11.83%% less the arithmetic mean income return on long-term U.S. Government Securities of 5.28% (11.83% - 5.28% = 6.55%).

These three expectational risk premiums are then averaged, resulting in a 7.61% market equity risk premium, which is then multiplied by the beta in column 1 of page 1 of this Schedule. $((5.96\% + 10.32\% + 6.55\%)/3)$.

- (2) For reasons explained in Mr. D'Ascendis' direct testimony, the risk-free rate that he relies upon for his CAPM analysis is the average forecast of 30-year Treasury Note yields per the consensus of nearly 50 economists reported in the Blue Chip Financial Forecasts dated June 1 and November 1, 2013 (see pages 9 & 10 of Schedule 5). The estimates are detailed below:

	<u>30-Year Treasury Note Yield</u>
Fourth Quarter 2013	3.70%
First Quarter 2014	3.80%
Second Quarter 2014	3.90%
Third Quarter 2014	4.00%
Fourth Quarter 2014	4.10%
First Quarter 2015	4.20%
2015 – 2019	5.20%
2020 – 2024	<u>5.60%</u>
Average	<u>4.31%</u>

- (3) The traditional Capital Asset Pricing Model (CAPM) is applied using the following formula:

$$R_S = R_F + \beta (R_M - R_F)$$

Where R_S = Return rate of common stock
 R_F = Risk Free Rate
 β = Value Line Adjusted Beta
 R_M = Return on the market as a whole

- (4) The empirical CAPM is applied using the following formula:

$$R_S = R_F + .25 (R_M - R_F) + .75 \beta (R_M - R_F)$$

Where R_S = Return rate of common stock
 R_F = Risk-Free Rate
 β = Value Line Adjusted Beta
 R_M = Return on the market as a whole

Source of Information: Value Line Summary & Index
Blue Chip Financial Forecasts, June 1 & November 1, 2013
Value Line Investment Survey, (Standard Edition)
2013 Ibbotson® SBBI® Valuation Yearbook, Morningstar, Inc., 2013, Chicago, IL

Basis of Selection of the Group of Non-Price Regulated Companies
Comparable in Total Risk to the Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies

The criteria for selection of the proxy group of twenty-eight non-price regulated companies was that the non-price regulated companies be domestic and reported in Value Line Investment Survey (Standard Edition).

The proxy group of twenty-eight non-price regulated companies were then selected based upon the unadjusted beta range of 0.36 – 0.60 and standard error of the regression range of 2.6728 – 3.1880 of the water proxy group.

These ranges are based upon plus or minus two standard deviations of the unadjusted beta and standard error of the regression. Plus or minus two standard deviations captures 95.50% of the distribution of unadjusted betas and standard errors of the regression.

The standard deviation of the water industry's standard error of the regression is 0.1288. The standard deviation of the standard error of the regression is calculated as follows:

$$\text{Standard Deviation of the Std. Err. of the Regr.} = \frac{\text{Standard Error of the Regression}}{\sqrt{2N}}$$

where: N = number of observations. Since Value Line betas are derived from weekly price change observations over a period of five years, N = 259

$$\text{Thus, } 0.1288 = \frac{2.9304}{\sqrt{518}} = \frac{2.9304}{22.7596}$$

Source of Information: Value Line, Inc., June 15, 2013
Value Line Investment Survey (Standard Edition)

Carolina Water Services, Inc.
Basis of Selection of Comparable Risk
Domestic Non-Price Regulated Companies

Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies	Value Line Adjusted Beta	Unadjusted Beta	Residual Standard Error of the Regression	Standard Deviation of Beta
American States Water Co.	0.70	0.50	3.2189	0.0635
American Water Works Co., Inc.	0.65	0.44	2.9445	0.0581
Aqua America, Inc.	0.60	0.34	2.5371	0.0501
Artesian Resources Corp.	0.60	0.32	2.7526	0.0543
California Water Service Group	0.65	0.42	2.5635	0.0506
Connecticut Water Service, Inc.	0.75	0.57	3.1136	0.0614
Middlesex Water Company	0.70	0.54	2.6524	0.0523
SJW Corporation	0.85	0.71	3.4897	0.0689
York Water Company	0.70	0.48	3.1012	0.0612
Average	<u>0.69</u>	<u>0.48</u>	<u>2.9304</u>	<u>0.0578</u>
Beta Range (+/- 2 std. Devs. of Beta)	0.36	0.60		
2 std. Devs. of Beta	0.12			
Residual Std. Err. Range (+/- 2 std. Devs. of the Residual Std. Err.)	2.6728	3.1880		
Std. dev. of the Res. Std. Err.	0.1288			
2 std. devs. of the Res. Std. Err.	0.2576			

Carolina Water Services, Inc.
Proxy Group of Non-Price Regulated Companies
Comparable in Total Risk to the
Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies

<u>Proxy Group of Twenty-Eight Non-Price-Regulated Companies</u>	<u>VL Adjusted Beta</u>	<u>Unadjusted Beta</u>	<u>Residual Standard Error of the Regression</u>	<u>Standard Deviation of Beta</u>
Actavis, Inc.	0.70	0.54	3.1788	0.0627
Gallagher (Arthur J.)	0.75	0.57	2.9036	0.0573
AutoZone Inc.	0.65	0.40	2.9262	0.0577
Baxter Intl Inc.	0.70	0.50	2.8955	0.0571
Bristol-Myers Squibb	0.70	0.47	2.7937	0.0551
Brown & Brown	0.70	0.54	2.8096	0.0554
ConAgra Foods	0.65	0.41	2.7349	0.0540
Capitol Fed. Finl	0.60	0.39	2.9201	0.0576
Dun & Bradstreet	0.75	0.59	2.9549	0.0583
DaVita Inc.	0.65	0.46	2.7897	0.0550
J&J Snack Foods	0.70	0.50	3.0927	0.0610
Kroger Co.	0.60	0.36	2.8340	0.0559
Lancaster Colony	0.70	0.53	2.9432	0.0581
McKesson Corp.	0.75	0.59	3.1375	0.0619
Mercury General	0.65	0.47	3.0619	0.0604
Annaly Capital Mgmt.	0.65	0.41	2.9250	0.0577
Northwest Bancshares	0.75	0.58	2.9835	0.0589
Owens & Minor	0.75	0.56	3.0574	0.0603
Peoples United Finl	0.65	0.45	2.7599	0.0545
Raytheon Co.	0.75	0.55	2.7110	0.0535
SAIC, Inc.	0.70	0.48	2.7054	0.0534
Sherwin-Williams	0.65	0.46	2.9720	0.0586
Smucker (J.M.)	0.70	0.48	2.9317	0.0579
Silgan Holdings	0.70	0.54	2.8924	0.0571
Suburban Propane	0.75	0.54	3.0951	0.0611
Stericycle Inc.	0.65	0.47	2.8457	0.0562
Waste Connections	0.70	0.54	2.7563	0.0544
Weis Markets	0.65	0.44	2.7704	0.0547
Berkley (W.R.)	0.70	0.47	2.8399	0.0560
Average	<u>0.69</u>	<u>0.49</u>	<u>2.9042</u>	<u>0.0573</u>
Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies	<u>0.69</u>	<u>0.48</u>	<u>2.9304</u>	<u>0.0578</u>

Carolina Water Services, Inc.
Summary of Cost of Equity Models Applied to the
Proxy Group of Non-Price-Regulated Companies
Comparable in Total Risk to the
Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies

<u>Principal Methods</u>	<u>Proxy Group of Twenty-Eight Non- Price-Regulated Companies</u>
Discounted Cash Flow Model (1)	11.57 %
Risk Premium Model (2)	10.32 %
Capital Asset Pricing Model (3)	<u>9.90 %</u>
Average	<u><u>10.60 %</u></u>
Median	<u><u>10.32 %</u></u>
Average of Average and Median	<u><u>10.46 %</u></u>

Notes:

- (1) From page 2 of this Schedule.
- (2) From page 3 of this Schedule.
- (3) From page 6 of this Schedule.

Carolina Water Services, Inc.
DCF Results for the Proxy Group of Non-Price-Regulated Companies Comparable in Total Risk to
the Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies.

Proxy Group of Twenty-Eight Non-Price-Regulated Companies	Average Dividend Yield	Value Line Projected Five Year Growth in EPS	Reuters Mean Consensus Projected Five Year Growth Rate in EPS	Zack's Five Year Projected Growth Rate in EPS	Yahoo! Finance Projected Five Year Growth in EPS	Average Projected Five Year Growth Rate in EPS	Adjusted Dividend Yield	Indicated Common Equity Cost Rate
Actavis, Inc.	- %	14.00 %	21.00 %	19.10 %	21.93 %	19.01 %	- %	NA %
Gallagher (Arthur J.	3.16	11.50	12.00	13.60	13.17	12.57	3.36	15.93
AutoZone Inc.	-	15.00	14.00	14.40	14.75	14.54	-	NA
Baxter Intl Inc.	2.85	8.50	8.10	8.90	8.13	8.41	2.97	11.38
Bristol-Myers Squibb	3.08	10.00	9.70	6.00	9.75	8.86	3.22	12.08
Brown & Brown	1.11	13.50	13.00	12.60	13.88	13.25	1.19	14.44
ConAgra Foods	3.10	11.00	8.70	10.40	8.70	9.70	3.25	12.95
Capitol Fed. Finl	2.40	6.00	3.50	3.50	3.50	4.13	2.45	6.58
Dun & Bradstreet	1.53	5.00	8.80	9.80	8.85	8.11	1.60	9.71
DaVita Inc.	-	15.00	12.00	12.80	11.60	12.85	-	NA
J&J Snack Foods	0.80	9.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.75	0.84	10.59
Kroger Co.	1.51	10.50	9.00	7.40	9.07	8.99	1.58	10.57
Lancaster Colony	2.02	7.00	NA	NA	10.00	8.50	2.11	10.61
McKesson Corp.	0.61	10.50	15.00	13.00	13.00	12.88	0.65	13.53
Mercury General	5.27	8.00	2.10	2.10	2.10	3.58	5.37	8.95
Annaly Capital Mgmt.	13.89	(2.50)	NA	3.50	3.50	3.50	14.13	17.63
Northwest Bancshares, Inc.	3.84	8.50	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.88	3.96	9.84
Owens & Minor	2.72	6.00	13.00	9.00	13.00	10.25	2.86	13.11
Peoples United Fin	4.53	17.50	7.40	6.50	7.13	9.63	4.75	14.38
Raytheon Co.	2.86	4.50	8.70	8.80	8.70	7.68	2.97	10.65
Sherwin-Williams	1.12	15.50	14.00	14.60	14.55	14.66	1.20	15.86
Smucker (J.M.)	1.93	8.50	8.70	8.30	8.77	8.57	2.01	10.58
Silgan Holdings	1.19	10.50	10.00	10.60	10.60	10.43	1.25	11.68
Suburban Propane	7.53	6.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.75	7.67	11.42
Stericycle Inc.	-	12.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	15.00	-	NA
Waste Connections	0.91	12.00	11.00	14.90	11.00	12.23	0.96	13.19
Weis Markets	2.45	3.50	NA	NA	NA	3.50	2.50	6.00
Berkley (W.R.)	0.94	12.50	7.90	9.50	6.91	9.20	0.99	10.19
Average								11.74 %
Median								11.40 %
Average of Average and Median Results:								11.57 %

NA= Not Available

NMF= Not Meaningful Figure

- (1) Mr. D'Ascendis's application of the DCF model to the domestic, non-price regulated comparable risk companies is identical to the application of the DCF to his proxy group of water companies. He uses the 60 day average price and the spot indicated dividend as of October 31, 2013 for his dividend yield and then adjusts that yield for 1/2 the average projected growth rate in EPS, which is calculated by averaging the 5 year projected growth in EPS provided by Value Line, www.reuters.com, www.zacks.com, and www.yahoo.com (excluding any negative growth rates) and then adding that growth rate to the adjusted dividend yield.

Source of Information:

Value Line Investment Survey:
www.reuters.com Downloaded on 11/01/2013
www.zacks.com Downloaded on 11/01/2013
www.yahoo.com Downloaded on 11/01/2013

Carolina Water Services, Inc.
Indicated Common Equity Cost Rate
Through Use of a Risk Premium Model
Using an Adjusted Total Market Approach

<u>Line No.</u>		<u>Proxy Group of Twenty-Eight Non- Price-Regulated Companies</u>
1.	Prospective Yield on Baa Rated Corporate Bonds (1)	5.65 %
2.	Equity Risk Premium (2)	<u>4.67</u>
3.	Risk Premium Derived Common Equity Cost Rate	<u><u>10.32 %</u></u>

Notes: (1) Average forecast based upon estimates of Baa rated corporate bonds per the consensus of nearly 50 economists reported in Blue Chip Financial Forecasts dated June 1, 2013 and November 1, 2013 (see pages 9 and 10 of Schedule 5). The estimates are detailed below.

Fourth Quarter 2013	5.40 %
First Quarter 2014	5.50
Second Quarter 2014	5.60
Third Quarter 2014	5.70
Fourth Quarter 2014	5.80
First Quarter 2015	5.90
2015-2019	6.90
2020-2024	<u>7.40</u>
Average	<u><u>5.65 %</u></u>

(2) From page 5 of this Schedule.

Carolina Water Services, Inc.
Comparison of Bond Ratings for the
Proxy Group of Non-Price-Regulated Companies Comparable in Total Risk to the
Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies

	Moody's Bond Rating November 2013		Standard & Poor's Bond Rating November 2013	
Proxy Group of Twenty-Eight Non-Price-Regulated Companies	Bond Rating	Numerical Weighting (1)	Bond Rating	Numerical Weighting (1)
Actavis, Inc.	Baa3	10.0	NR	--
Gallagher (Arthur J.)	NR	--	NR	--
AutoZone Inc.	Baa2	9.0	BBB	9.0
Baxter Intl Inc.	A3	7.0	A	6.0
Bristol-Myers Squibb	A2	6.0	A+	5.0
Brown & Brown	NR	--	NR	--
ConAgra Foods	Baa2	9.0	BBB-	10.0
Capitol Fed. Finl	NR	--	NR	--
Dun & Bradstreet	NR	--	NR	--
DaVita Inc.	Ba3	13.0	B	15.0
J&J Snack Foods	NR	--	NR	--
Kroger Co.	Baa2	9.0	BBB	9.0
Lancaster Colony	NR	--	NR	--
McKesson Corp.	Baa2	9.0	A-	7.0
Mercury General	NR	--	NR	--
Annaly Capital Mgmt.	NR	--	NR	--
Northwest Bancshares	NR	--	NR	--
Owens & Minor	Ba1	11.0	BBB	9.0
Peoples United Finl	A2	6.0	NR	--
Raytheon Co.	A3	7.0	A-	7.0
Sherwin-Williams	A3	7.0	A	6.0
Smucker (J.M.)	A3	7.0	NR	--
Silgan Holdings	Ba1	11.0	BB-	13.0
Suburban Propane	Ba3	13.0	BB-	13.0
Stericycle Inc.	NR	--	NR	--
Waste Connections	NR	--	NR	--
Weis Markets	NR	--	NR	--
Berkley (W.R.)	Baa2	9.0	BBB+	8.0
Average	<u>Baa2</u>	<u>8.9</u>	<u>BBB</u>	<u>9.0</u>

Notes:

(1) From page 5 of Schedule 5.

Source of Information:

Standard & Poor's Bond Guide October 2013
www.moodys.com; downloaded 11/1/2013

Carolina Water Services, Inc.
Derivation of Equity Risk Premium Based on the Total Market Approach
Using the Beta for
the Proxy Group of Non-Price-Regulated Companies
Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies

<u>Line No.</u>		<u>Proxy Group of Twenty-Eight Non- Price-Regulated Companies</u>
	<u>Based on SBBI Valuation Yearbook Data:</u>	
1.	Ibbotson Equity Risk Premium (1)	5.60 %
2.	Ibbotson Equity Risk Premium based on PRPM TM (2)	9.22
	<u>Based on Value Line Summary and Index:</u>	
3.	Equity Risk Premium Based on <u>Value Line</u> Summary and Index (3)	<u>5.19</u>
4.	Conclusion of Equity Risk Premium (4)	6.67 %
5.	Adjusted Value Line Beta (5)	<u>0.70</u>
6.	Forecasted Equity Risk Premium	<u><u>4.67</u></u> %

- Notes:
- (1) Based on the arithmetic mean historical monthly returns on large company common stocks from Ibbotson[®] SBBI[®] 2013 Valuation Yearbook - Market Results for Stocks, Bonds, Bills, and Inflation minus the arithmetic mean monthly yield of Moody's Aaa and Aa corporate bonds from 1926 - 2012. (11.83% - 6.23% = 5.60%).
 - (2) The Predictive Risk Premium Model (PRPMTM) is discussed in Mr. D'Ascendis's accompanying direct testimony. The Ibbotson equity risk premium based on the PRPMTM is derived by applying the PRPMTM to the monthly risk premiums between Ibbotson large company common stock monthly returns minus the average Aaa and Aa corporate monthly bond yields, from January 1928 through September 2013.
 - (3) From page 8 of Schedule 5.
 - (4) Average of Lines 1, 2, & 3.
 - (5) Median beta derived from page 6 of this Schedule.

Sources of Information:

Ibbotson[®] SBBI[®] 2013 Valuation Yearbook - Market Results for Stocks, Bonds, Bills, and Inflation, Morningstar, Inc., 2013 Chicago, IL.
Value Line Summary and Index
Blue Chip Financial Forecasts, June 1 and November 1, 2013

Carolina Water Services, Inc.
Traditional CAPM and ECAPM Results for the Proxy Group of Non-Price-Regulated Companies Comparable in Total Risk to the
Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies

Proxy Group of Twenty-Eight Non-Price-Regulated Companies	Value Line Adjusted Beta	Market Risk Premium (1)	Risk-Free Rate (2)	Traditional CAPM Cost Rate (3)	ECAPM Cost Rate (4)	Indicated Common Equity Cost Rate (5)
Actavis, Inc.	0.70	7.61 %	4.31 %	9.64 %	10.21 %	
Gallagher (Arthur J.)	0.75	7.61	4.31	10.02	10.49	
AutoZone Inc.	0.65	7.61	4.31	9.26	9.92	
Baxter Intl Inc.	0.70	7.61	4.31	9.64	10.21	
Bristol-Myers Squibb	0.70	7.61	4.31	9.64	10.21	
Brown & Brown	0.70	7.61	4.31	9.64	10.21	
ConAgra Foods	0.65	7.61	4.31	9.26	9.92	
Capitol Fed. Finl	0.60	7.61	4.31	8.88	9.64	
Dun & Bradstreet	0.75	7.61	4.31	10.02	10.49	
DaVita Inc.	0.65	7.61	4.31	9.26	9.92	
J&J Snack Foods	0.70	7.61	4.31	9.64	10.21	
Kroger Co.	0.60	7.61	4.31	8.88	9.64	
Lancaster Colony	0.70	7.61	4.31	9.64	10.21	
McKesson Corp.	0.75	7.61	4.31	10.02	10.49	
Mercury General	0.65	7.61	4.31	9.26	9.92	
Annaly Capital Mgmt.	0.65	7.61	4.31	9.26	9.92	
Northwest Bancshares	0.75	7.61	4.31	10.02	10.49	
Owens & Minor	0.75	7.61	4.31	10.02	10.49	
Peoples United Finl	0.65	7.61	4.31	9.26	9.92	
Raytheon Co.	0.75	7.61	4.31	10.02	10.49	
Sherwin-Williams	0.65	7.61	4.31	9.26	9.92	
Smucker (J.M.)	0.70	7.61	4.31	9.64	10.21	
Silgan Holdings	0.70	7.61	4.31	9.64	10.21	
Suburban Propane	0.75	7.61	4.31	10.02	10.49	
Stericycle Inc.	0.65	7.61	4.31	9.26	9.92	
Waste Connections	0.70	7.61	4.31	9.64	10.21	
Weis Markets	0.65	7.61	4.31	9.26	9.92	
Berkley (W.R.)	0.70	7.61	4.31	9.64	10.21	
Average	<u>0.69</u>			<u>9.56 %</u>	<u>10.15 %</u>	<u>9.86 %</u>
Median	<u>0.70</u>			<u>9.64 %</u>	<u>10.21 %</u>	<u>9.93 %</u>
Average of Average and Median Results:						<u>9.90 %</u>

Notes:

- (1) From Schedule 6, page 2, note 1.
- (2) From Schedule 6, page 2, note 2.
- (3) Derived from the model shown on Schedule 6, page 2, note 3.
- (4) Derived from the model shown on Schedule 6, page 2, note 4.
- (5) Average of CAPM and ECAPM cost rates.

Carolina Water Services, Inc.
Derivation of Investment Risk Adjustment Based upon
Ibbotson Associates' Size Premia for the Decile Portfolios of the NYSE/AMEX/NASDAQ

Line No.	1	2	3	4
	Market Capitalization on October 31, 2013 (1) (millions)	Applicable Decile of the NYSE/AMEX/ NASDAQ (2)	Applicable Size Premium (3)	Spread from Applicable Size Premium for (4)
	(times larger)			
1.	Carolina Water Services, Inc.			
a.	Based Upon the Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies	10	6.03%	
2.	Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies	6	1.72%	4.31%
	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
	Decile	Number of Companies (millions)	Recent Total Market Capitalization (millions)	Recent Average Market Capitalization (millions)
Largest	1	173	\$ 10,255,341.469	\$ 59,279.430
	2	193	2,219,118.548	\$ 11,498.024
	3	187	1,072,861.025	\$ 5,737.225
	4	202	695,897.336	\$ 3,445.036
	5	205	473,139.360	\$ 2,307.997
	6	234	377,485.205	\$ 1,613.185
	7	317	329,504.738	\$ 1,039.447
	8	329	214,084.258	\$ 650.712
	9	466	166,708.095	\$ 357.743
Smallest	10	1068	107,517.520	\$ 100.672
				Size Premium (Return in Excess of CAPM) (2)
				-0.37%
				0.76%
				0.92%
				1.14%
				1.70%
				1.72%
				1.73%
				2.46%
				2.70%
				6.03%
				*From Ibbotson 2013 Yearbook

Notes:

- (1) From Page 2 of this Schedule.
- (2) Gleaned from Column (D) on the bottom of this page. The appropriate decile (Column (A)) corresponds to the market capitalization of the proxy group, which is found in Column (E).
- (3) Corresponding risk premium to the decile is provided on Column (E) on the bottom of this page.
- (4) Line No. 1a Column 3 – Line No. 2 Column 3 and Line No. 1b, Column 3 – Line No. 3 of Column 3 etc.. For example, the 4.31% in Column 4, Line No. 2 is derived as follows 4.31% = 6.03% - 1.72%.

Carolina Water Services, Inc.
Market Capitalization of Carolina Water Services, Inc. and
the Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies

Company	Exchange	1 Common Stock Shares Outstanding at Fiscal Year End 2012 (millions)	2 Book Value per Share at Fiscal Year End 2012 (1)	3 Total Common Equity at Fiscal Year End 2012 (millions)	4 Closing Stock Market Price on October 31, 2013	5 Market-to-Book Ratio on October 31, 2013 (2)	6 Market Capitalization on October 31, 2013 (3) (millions)
Carolina Water Services, Inc.		NA	NA	12,289 (4)	NA		
Based Upon the Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies						211.5 % (5)	25,992 (6)
Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies							
American States Water Co.		38,474	\$ 11,815	\$ 454,579	\$ 28,480	241.0 %	\$ 1,095,752
American Water Works Co., Inc.		176,988	\$ 25,115	\$ 4,444,988	\$ 42,870	170.7 %	\$ 7,587,476
Aqua America, Inc.		176,209	\$ 7,909	\$ 1,385,704	\$ 25,180	318.4 %	\$ 4,411,765
Aresian Resources Corp.		7,838	\$ 15,078	\$ 118,180	\$ 22,900	151.9 %	\$ 179,492
California Water Service Group		41,908	\$ 11,304	\$ 473,712	\$ 21,800	192.9 %	\$ 913,599
Connecticut Water Service, Inc.		10,939	\$ 17,014	\$ 186,121	\$ 32,050	188.4 %	\$ 350,611
Middlesex Water Company		15,795	\$ 11,499	\$ 181,632	\$ 20,730	180.3 %	\$ 327,430
SiW Corporation		18,671	\$ 14,708	\$ 274,604	\$ 28,230	191.9 %	\$ 527,070
York Water Company		12,919	\$ 7,727	\$ 99,825	\$ 20,710	268.0 %	\$ 267,545
Average		55,416	\$ 13,574	\$ 846,594	\$ 26,994	211.5 %	\$ 1,740,082

NA= Not Available

- Notes: (1) Column 3 / Column 1.
(2) Column 4 / Column 2.
(3) Column 5 * Column 3.
(4) Total combined rate base of Carolina Water Services, Inc. allocated by the recommended common equity ratio. (\$25.8M x 47.56% = \$12.289M)

- (5) The market-to-book ratio of Carolina Water Services, Inc. on October 31, 2013 is assumed to be equal to the market-to-book ratio of the Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies at October 31, 2013.
(6) Carolina Water Services, Inc.'s common stock, if traded, would trade at a market-to-book ratio equal to the average market-to-book ratio at October 31, 2013 of the Proxy Group of Nine Water Companies, 211.5%, and Carolina Water Services, Inc.'s market capitalization on October 31, 2013 would therefore have been \$25,992 million.

Source of Information: 2012 Annual Forms 10K
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